

Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, the veterans of the United States of America's armed forces have served this nation in times of both peace and war, and in doing so have assured the safety and prosperity of all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, as we enjoy our freedom we should remember the sacrifices made on our behalf by the men and women who bravely served our country to protect the liberty of Americans and others around the globe; and

WHEREAS, the rich heritage of those veteran service members as they represented the wide diversity of the American people is celebrated, and we honor the many citizens who have valiantly served; and

WHEREAS, it is important to reflect on the struggles and acts of bravery that allow for our freedoms, not only from those that have paved the way of past wars, but also those that are currently serving to make a better world for all of us; and

WHEREAS, the Homes of Regency Cove in Tampa, Florida is proud of all veterans, and especially those veteran residents of their community, and, in honor of all who have served, created the publication, "*The Veterans of Regency Cove, An Anthology of Memories*" and within the pages have related the personal stories of these veterans in order to memorialize their selfless acts of bravery and dedication to the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tampa joins the Homes of Regency Cove in their tribute to the many citizens that have served, and are continuing to serve, in the protection of our country and its freedoms.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim January 15, 2012 as

"VETERANS OF REGENCY COVE DAY"

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and encourage all citizens to join me in recognizing all military veterans and thanking them for the extraordinary service and sacrifice they have made on our nation's behalf.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 6th day of January, 2012.

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Mayor