

Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, Dr. Michael Flannery, M.D., F.A.C.P., graduated from the University of Florida College of Medicine in 1988 and completed his residence at the University of South Florida in 1991; and

WHEREAS, since becoming Director of the Internal Medicine Residency Program at the University of South Florida Health Morsani College of Medicine ten years ago, Dr. Flannery devoted himself to providing the residents with the highest quality education and preparing them for successful careers in medicine; and

WHEREAS, over the years Dr. Flannery has demonstrated dedication to medicine as well as his patients and students; he has volunteered his skills following disasters such as Hurricane Katrina, provided needed health care to the poor, and helped fund scholarships for those seeking medical careers; and

WHEREAS, diagnosed one year ago with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, also known as ALS and Lou Gehrig's disease, Dr. Flannery has continued his service to the community and inspiration to others by raising over \$23,000 in the Walk to Defeat ALS; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Flannery has taught hundreds of medical and graduate students, and his commitment to excellence in teaching has earned him recognition in the medical industry, including being honored as the American College of Physicians Florida Teacher of the Year in 2001, and on May 4, 2012 he received the Dean's Award, the highest honor bestowed by the University of South Health Florida Morsani College of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, throughout his medical career, Dr. Flannery has shown outstanding dedication and compassion to his patients, and has instilled these virtues in our next generation of doctors.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim June 14, 2012 as

"DR. MICHAEL FLANNERY DAY"

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to express their appreciation to Dr. Flannery for his commitment to excellence as a doctor and teacher, and for all he has contributed to our community over the years.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 11th day of June, 2012.

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