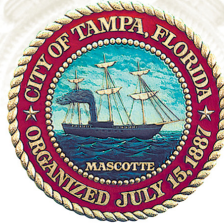


# Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tampa is pleased that the 2012 Republican National Convention will be held in Tampa, Florida on August 27-31, 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2012 Tampa Bay Host Committee, known as the Host Committee, is a Florida based not-for-profit corporation and is non-partisan with no political mission or affiliation, established to alleviate the burdens to area local governments, launch local initiatives, and promote the Tampa Bay area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Host Committee is poised to showcase the Tampa Bay area and welcome guests from around the world as they visit our region, specifically Tampa, St. Petersburg and Clearwater, during the convention week, and thousands of volunteers known as the *Faces of Tampa Bay*, recruited and trained by the Host Committee Volunteer Program, will represent our community; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Faces of Tampa Bay* will welcome guests throughout the area and serve as Airport Greeters, Distribution Center Assistants, Event Set-up Crews, Event Way-Finders, Hotel Greeters, Office Administrative Assistants and On-Call Volunteers, as well as support a variety of Host Committee programs and events; and

**WHEREAS**, in preparation for their roles during the convention week, the *Faces of Tampa Bay* performed various community outreach projects that support children and families, the military, literacy and school readiness, food distribution, health and wellness, and green initiatives, which will have a lasting impact on the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Faces of Tampa Bay* are important to successfully showcase the Tampa Bay area to the thousands of guests who will visit in August 2012 for convention week and their commitment in volunteering their time, talent and energy so that Tampa shines is appreciated by the entire community; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2012 Tampa Bay Host Committee will honor the *Faces of Tampa Bay* with a Pep Rally held at the David A. Straz Jr. Center for the Performing Arts - Carol Morsani Hall, on August 11, 2012 in honor of the volunteers that will be so vital in promoting the Tampa Bay area and making the conventioners and visitors feel welcome.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim August 11, 2012 as

## ***"FACES OF TAMPA BAY DAY"***

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the contributions of the *Faces of Tampa Bay* and thanking them for representing the Tampa area during the Republican National Convention.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2012.



*Bob Buckhorn*

Mayor