

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, established in 1967 in Geneva, Switzerland by His Highness the Aga Khan, the Aga Khan Foundation (AKF) is a private, not-for-profit, non-denominational, development agency with branches in 20 countries, and a part of the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN), a group of agencies working in health, education, the environment, culture, microfinance, rural development, disaster reduction, promotion of private-sector enterprise and the revitalization of historic cities; and

WHEREAS, the main purpose of the Aga Khan Foundation is to seek sustainable solutions to long-term problems of poverty, hunger, illiteracy and ill-health with special emphasis on the needs of rural communities in mountainous, coastal and other resource challenged areas; and

WHEREAS, the Aga Khan Foundation U.S.A. (AKF USA) was established in 1981 in Washington, D.C. and is an agency of AKDN, committed to the struggle against poverty, hunger, illiteracy and poor health, primarily in Africa and Asia, and works to address the root causes of poverty by supporting and sharing innovative solutions and utilizes community based approaches to meet basic human needs so that all people have the opportunity to be educated, raise healthy families, earn decent wages and are provided with optimum living and working environments; and

WHEREAS, AKF USA also serves as a learning institution for program enhancement, policy dialogue, disseminating best practices and knowledge resources, and collaborates in providing technical, financial and capacity building support to other AKDN agencies and programs worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Partnerships *In Action* is an initiative of AKF USA, and its network of volunteers across the United States raise awareness and funds for innovative programs that create hope and opportunity for disadvantaged communities in the developing world; and

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, September 19, 2012, the Aga Khan Foundation U.S.A. will host its Annual Awareness Dinner Reception at the Taste of India Restaurant in Tampa, Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim September 19, 2012 as

“AGA KHAN FOUNDATION U.S.A. AWARENESS DAY”

and urge all citizens to join me in thanking the organization and members for their support and dedication to the communities globally in which they have made a difference in improving the quality of life of so many.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 17th day of September, 2012.



Bob Buckhorn

Mayor