

# Proclamation



*Bob Buckhorn, Mayor*

**WHEREAS**, CareFest USA, founded in 2001, is a catalytic community service organization that inspires people to “**Bee Caretigious; Making Caring Contagious**” all year long; and

**WHEREAS**, CareFest is a service day with the goal of mobilizing local businesses, church communities, and social agencies to work together in meeting the needs Tampa Bay citizens, thereby improving neighborhoods and the quality of life for residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Carefest 2012 event will be hosted by the non-profit organization Somebody Cares Tampa Bay (SCTB), a network of independent, community-based agencies that provide outreach support to area faith-based ministries who assist poverty-stricken families and the working poor; and

**WHEREAS**, in collaboration with CareFest USA and working with local ministries, Somebody Cares Tampa Bay’s mission is to provide the basic necessities of life, and to educate and develop healthy, self-sustaining communities, families and individuals; and

**WHEREAS**, the goal is achieved through projects that beautify homes and repair neighborhoods; last year work was completed on 383 projects in 26 communities with the help of over 6,000 volunteers, bringing approximately \$1.5 million in needed goods and services.

**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 29, 2012 as

## ***“CAREFEST— A DAY OF CARING”***

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in thanking those involved with this service project for their hard work and dedication, and in encouraging others to join in this endeavor that contributes so much to our community.

Dated in Tampa, Florida this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.



*Bob Buckhorn*

Mayor

