

# Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the City of Tampa Police Department is to reduce crime and enhance the quality of life through a cooperative partnership with all citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the **Resources in Community Hope (RICH) House** was established in the year 2000 for the purpose of creating a safe haven for at-risk youth in the Sulphur Springs community of Tampa, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, the RICH House has become a facility that has fostered the police and community relationship and provides a multi-purpose resource center, including after school and computer programs, mentoring, and back to school assistance, which has had a positive impact on the Sulphur Springs neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, this model relationship between the community and the police lays the groundwork for spreading the RICH philosophy to other areas of the city of Tampa; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tampa Parks and Recreation Department has partnered with the City of Tampa Police Department and donated a building near a neighborhood in the Tampa community in need of resources that the RICH House can provide; and

**WHEREAS**, the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce's *Leadership Tampa Class of 2013* has chosen the development of the **RICH House Robles Park** as their legacy project to provide a long lasting asset to the community and the citizens who live there; and

**WHEREAS**, the RICH House Robles Park will open its doors on June 1, 2013 to community stakeholders with a shared interest in collaborating with the Tampa Police Department in completing its mission.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim 3305 North Avon Avenue, Tampa, Florida to be deemed

## **“RICH HOUSE ROBLES PARK”**

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in commending these partnerships for their many contributions to our children and families, and in their commitment to making the RICH House project a successful reality.

Dated in Tampa, Florida. 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2013.



*Bob Buckhorn*

Mayor

*City of*  
**Tampa**  
Florida