

Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, *Sister Cities International* was established in 1956 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower through his vision to "Promote Peace Through People" and the organization creates relationships based on cultural, educational, information and trade exchanges, creating lifelong friendships that provide prosperity and peace through person-to-person "citizen diplomacy;" and

WHEREAS, the great cities of **Tampa**, Florida and **Le Havre**, France joined together on November 17, 1992 at the University of Tampa in Tampa, Florida whereby Sandra Freeman, Mayor of the City of Tampa and André Duroméa, Mayor of the City of Le Havre held a Twinning Agreement Ceremony, and the two cities officially became Sister Cities; and

WHEREAS, the Tampa-Le Havre Sister Cities Committee is dedicated to furthering international understanding, developing a sense for personal diplomacy through the history and cultural fabric of the two cities, promoting and broadening mutual respect and friendship, and developing economic cooperation and exchanges; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough County Bar Association has initiated and promoted these principles and will host the first lawyer exchange between the cities of Tampa and Le Havre on October 21, 2013 with a *Welcoming Reception for the French Lawyers of Le Havre* at the Florida Photographic Museum of Arts in downtown Tampa.

THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by the virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Monday, October 21, 2013 as

"TAMPA – LE HAVRE LAWYERS EXCHANGE PROGRAM DAY"

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 17th day of October, 2013.



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