

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, *WMNF Community Radio*, 88.5 FM was established September 1979 in Tampa, Florida with a group of dedicated volunteers, second-hand equipment, and donations of money, supplies and furniture, and with a vision of a radio station committed to promoting the community's values and celebrating the rich diversity of the Tampa Bay area; and

WHEREAS, WMNF Community Radio is licensed to the Nathan B. Stubblefield Foundation, a non-profit organization, and it has grown to a state-of-the-art radio facility with three broadcast studios, three production studios, a live music studio, record library and meeting spaces with 90 percent of its programming produced in-house, and it carries several well-respected syndicated programs including *National Public Radio (NPR) News*, *Democracy Now!* and the *Hightower Report*; and

WHEREAS, WMNF Community Radio is a volunteer-powered, listener-supported radio station that celebrates cultural diversity and it is committed to quality, peace, and economic justice, and provides broadcasts and other forums with a grassroots local emphasis that promotes creative musical and political vitality, and exceptional entertainment for its listening audience; and

WHEREAS, the music, arts, and cultural programming of WMNF Community Radio covers a wide spectrum of expression, and the news and public affairs programming emphasizes controversial, neglected, and non-mainstream points of view on important local, national and world issues; and

WHEREAS, advocates for peace, social and environmental justice, WMNF Community Radio embraces the diversity, tolerance of others' opinions, and freedom of expression; and

WHEREAS, WMNF Community Radio celebrates its *35th Anniversary* on September 14, 2014, and the City of Tampa is pleased to join with the organization, its support base and dedicated audience in honoring this significant milestone.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Sunday, September 14, 2014 as

"WMNF COMMUNITY RADIO DAY"

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in congratulating WMNF on this 35th Anniversary occasion, thanking all those involved for their contributions to the community, and wishing them continued success.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 4th day of September, 2014.



City of
Tampa
Florida

Bob Buckhorn

Mayor