

## Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, Tampa Hispanic Heritage, Inc. is an organization devoted to preserving and promoting Tampa's diverse Hispanic culture, and for over 35 years, together with corporate partners, has honored those men and women who represent excellence by their outstanding achievements, endeavors and contributions and that have helped to enrich the lives of other Hispanics in our community; and

WHEREAS, Tampa Hispanic Heritage, Inc. will again celebrate its Annual Hispanic Gala with the presentation of the 2015 Hispanic Man of the Year Award to a person chosen to be honored, a well-known individual admired and respected for his commitment to others, and who has dedicated his life to promoting and preserving the Hispanic culture and traditions through his civic and community service; and

WHEREAS, this year's honoree is Daniel (Danny) A. Alvarez, Sr., born and raised in Florida and a graduate of the University of Florida (UF), receiving a Bachelor of Science in Journalism, and he served as Captain of the UF Club Lacrosse Team, Cadet R.O.T.C. Battalion Commander and during his time there also served in the Florida National Guard. Mr. Alvarez served his country in the United States Army, commissioned as an Infantry Officer where he was deployed to South Korea and he served in several leadership positions within the United States Army Airborne School where he was a member of the historic Fort Benning Command Exhibition Parachute Team "The Silver Wings" and during his military service, he earned his Master of Science Education from Troy University. After receiving his Honorable Discharge from the United States Army, Mr. Alvarez attended Stetson University College of Law receiving his Juris Doctor, and the University of Miami earning a Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Estate Planning; and

WHEREAS, upon completing his education, Mr. Alvarez worked for The Center for Special Needs Trust Administration/Boston Asset Management as Associate General Counsel, and he traveled throughout the United States consulting with law firms and lecturing prior to founding *Alvarez Legal Group, P.L.*, where he currently serves as Managing Partner; he is a member of the Florida Bar Association, a graduate of the Hillsborough Bar Association Leadership Institute, and is an Adjunct Business Law Professor at the University of Tampa; and

WHEREAS, an advocate for immigrants and those in need, Mr. Alvarez founded the *Migrants Foundation*, dedicated to opening up the immigration process through low cost or pro bono services, *Immigration 24 Hours, LLC*, created to help other law firms with the administrative part of the immigration process, and *Accounting Resources and Management Services, LLC*, whose mission is to assist disabled United States Veterans. Well-known for his commitment to serve, he is President of Hillsborough County Sheriff's Hispanic Advisory Board, has been appointed to the Hillsborough County Commission's Children's Services Advisory Board, serves on the Hillsborough County Charter Review Board, and is a member of several civic organizations, and he has received numerous honors including the *Heroes At Work Award* from the Tampa Bay Business Journal. His leadership, accomplishments, and genuine desire to make a difference, and his ability to serve as an inspirational role model and mentor to others certainly justifies naming him the *2015 Hispanic Man of the Year*.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Saturday, October 10, 2015 as

## DANIEL A. ALVAREZ, SR., HISPANIC MAN OF THE YEAR DAY

in the city of Tampa, Florida and call upon all residents to join me in recognizing, commending and thanking him for his outstanding service to our community.

Dated in Tampa, Florida this 10th day of October, 2015.



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