

# Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

**WHEREAS**, the city of Tampa, Florida is known for having some of the finest restaurants in the nation and recognizes the important role they have on the economic vitality of our city – as leading employers, their success is critical to the city’s overall workforce; and

**WHEREAS**, Tampa’s restaurants also contribute to our cultural and neighborhood vitality by providing both residents and visitors with a source of entertainment as well as excellent cuisine; and

**WHEREAS**, Creative Loafing, Tampa Bay’s award-winning weekly newspaper and website provides the Tampa Bay area with an independent perspective, local news and a comprehensive listing of local events, organized the first Tampa Bay Restaurant Week in 2008 with the mission of offering promotional opportunities for local restaurants and a chance for diners to sample the many flavors of Bay cuisine at a very good price; and

**WHEREAS**, 2016 marks the *Ninth Annual Celebration of Tampa Restaurant Week* which is coordinated, promoted and publicized by Creative Loafing Tampa, putting the Tampa Bay area in the company of New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, Denver and other cities around the United States celebrating a Restaurant Week, and the event will help stimulate our economy by supporting our local restaurants and motivating the public to dine out and enjoy the culinary diversity our community has to offer; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2016 event will feature approximately 75 Tampa Bay restaurants offering an opportunity for citizens to enjoy a three-course prix fixe dining experience at significant savings with a complete listing of participating dining establishments and the special menus available at [tampabayrestaurantweek.com](http://tampabayrestaurantweek.com); and

**WHEREAS**, the **Tampa Bay Restaurant Week** kicks off with a *Meet the Chefs* event on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at the Coppertail Brewing Company in Historic Ybor City, and it features small plate meals from local participating restaurants and beer pairings by Coppertail Brewing Company’s head brewer.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida do hereby proclaim June 16-26, 2016 as

## ***“TAMPA BAY RESTAURANT WEEK”***

in the City of Tampa, Florida and urge all residents to join in the festivities being celebrated at participating restaurants during this week.

Dated in Tampa, Florida this 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.



*Bob Buckhorn*

Mayor

