

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, cancer impacts not only its victims, but also the loved ones and families of the victims, as well as the countless physicians, nurses, counselors and volunteers who provide care and comfort; and

WHEREAS, *The Yerrid Foundation* is a non-profit charity organization dedicated to supporting other worthy charity organizations, children's causes, and particularly those groups assisting cancer victims and their families; and

WHEREAS, *The Lightning Foundation* is a non-profit charity organization of the Tampa Bay Lightning National Hockey League (NHL) hockey team, providing support for local youth programs, disabled and disadvantaged children's organizations, cancer research and organizations that provide emotional, financial and educational assistance for cancer patients and their families; and

WHEREAS, in a public effort to heighten cancer awareness, The Yerrid Foundation and The Lightning Foundation have joined forces to create "**Tampa Bay Fights Cancer Night**" which takes place during a regularly scheduled hockey game, this year on Thursday, December 22, 2016 when the Tampa Bay Lightning play the St. Louis Blues; and

WHEREAS, this annual event includes free admission, t-shirts, and vouchers for food and drinks to cancer victims and their families, and to health care professionals and dedicated volunteers that tirelessly wage war each and every day against this dreaded disease, and are committed to the health and well-being of the Tampa Bay area.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim December 22, 2016 as

"TAMPA BAY FIGHTS CANCER NIGHT"

in the city of Tampa, Florida and urge all residents to join me in expressing appreciation to all those involved in the planning and organization of this event that brings awareness about cancer to the community and recognizes the efforts of so many.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 19th day of December, 2016.



Bob Buckhorn

Mayor

