

# Proclamation



*Bob Buckhorn, Mayor*

**WHEREAS**, founded in 1952 during the segregation period and originally known as the Technique Dental Study Club, the **Tampa Bay Area Dental Association** (TBADA) was established to unite African American dentists in the Tampa, Florida area; and

**WHEREAS**, for over 65 years, the Tampa Bay Area Dental Association has been dedicated to its mission of advancing the knowledge of the art and science of dentistry by supporting those measures which promotes the elevation of the standard of health education, provides community activities which heightens the awareness of dentistry in the lay person and provides its members current topics in dentistry and correlated fields for obtaining continued education credits; and

**WHEREAS**, serving the Florida counties of Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk and Manatee, the Tampa Bay Area Dental Association improves the lives of children and adults through the practice of dentistry and by educating patients on the positive effects of good oral health; and

**WHEREAS**, through the TBADA organization, members are provided with opportunities to pursue excellence, improve their skills in dentistry, and share information to enhance their practice and the relationship between the patient and the dental specialist; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tampa Bay Area Dental Association is hosting its **65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet** and the event features bestowing the Dr. Gordon H. Norton Award to Dr. Joe N. Pinkston in recognition of his exemplary service to the community and his dedication to the field of dentistry and keynote speaker, Representative Sean Shaw, Florida House District 61, and it will provide an opportunity for the organization to reflect on all that has been accomplished over the past 65 years in impacting the oral health and quality of life for so many individuals.

**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, February 25, 2017 as

## ***“TAMPA BAY AREA DENTAL ASSOCIATION DAY”***

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in thanking the Tampa Bay Area Dental Association and its members for all they have contributed to the well-being of our community over the years, congratulating them on this milestone 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, and in wishing them continued success.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2017.



*Bob Buckhorn*

Mayor

