

# Proclamation



*Bob Buckhorn, Mayor*

**WHEREAS**, **Delta Phi Epsilon (ΔΦΕ) Sorority** was founded on March 17, 1917 on the campus of New York University and its five founding members established the principles of Justice, Sisterhood and Love; and

**WHEREAS**, for a century, Delta Phi Epsilon has been dedicated to its motto *Esse Quam Videri* (to be rather than seem to be), and its mission is to provide a sisterhood experience rich with tradition, innovation and opportunities for growth, and the organization strives to inspire and empower its 60,000 members to engage in a lifetime of leadership and service; and

**WHEREAS**, the colors of Delta Phi Epsilon are *purple and gold*, and the organization's areas of personal development and personal growth are identified as the **Five S's** – Sisterhood, Scholarship, Self, Service and Social and the **Five C's** – Character, Civic, Cultural, Connection, and Career; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout its history, Delta Phi Epsilon Sorority sisters have acted for the greater good and have served communities across the United States and Canada including raising millions of dollars in support of important causes and nonprofit organizations including the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Anorexia Nervosa and Associated Disorders, and the Delta Phi Epsilon Education Foundation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Delta Phi Epsilon Education Foundation was established to raise, manage and award funds to provide undergraduate and graduate scholarships to its sisters, and it provides grants to support innovative educational and leadership programs; and

**WHEREAS**, this year, the 105 Delta Phi Epsilon chapters, including four located in Florida, will celebrate the organization's **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**, and locally, the **Tampa Bay Delta Phi Epsilon Association** will host a **Centennial Champagne Brunch** at the Palma Ceia Golf and Country Club in Tampa Florida on Sunday, March 26, 2017, and the special celebration will provide the opportunity for members and guests to reflect on all that the organization has accomplished over the past century, and includes keynote speaker Nicole DeFeo, International Executive Director of Delta Phi Epsilon; and

**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, March 26, 2017 as

## **“DELTA PHI EPSILON DAY”**

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the contributions Delta Phi Epsilon and its members have made to our community, our nation, and around the world, and in wishing them continued success.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2017.



*Bob Buckhorn*

Mayor

