

## Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, originally founded and still known as The Legion of Honor, Sigma Nu ( $\Sigma N$ ) Fraternity was established on January 1, 1869 at the Virginia Military Institute, and it was created with the purpose developing a fraternal organization based on holding personal honor and the integrity of its membership in the highest regard; and

WHEREAS, since its beginning, Sigma Nu Fraternity has had a strong anti-hazing policy, and its mission is to develop ethical leaders inspired by the principles of Love, Honor and Truth, to foster the personal growth of each man's mind, heart and character, and to perpetuate lifelong friendships and commitment to the Fraternity; and

WHEREAS, Sigma Nu Fraternity is dedicated to its membership and offers a comprehensive education program, risk reduction policies, and strives to enhance its members experience through building a sense of community and creating a desire for individuals to invest time and talent, and to take pride and treasure the development of the organization and its future members, resulting in an even stronger fraternity and membership, and it provides collegiate members with financial aid supplements through the Sigma Nu, Inc., Educational Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Sigma Nu Fraternity has grown over the years to include the initiation of over 230,000 members within 275 chapters and colonies across North America including locally, Theta Alpha Chapter, founded 1967 at the University of South Florida (USF) on December 10, 1967; and

WHEREAS, celebrating its 50th Anniversary, Theta Alpha is committed to Sigma Nu's Strategic Plan of an Envisioned Future through Leadership in Action, Excellence, Growth and Membership Value; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of its history of brotherhood, service and commitment to the Sigma Nu Fraternity principles, mission and vision, the Theta Alpha Chapter is hosting its Theta Alpha 50th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, November 4, 2017 at the University of South Florida's Marshall Student Center, and the special event will include the initiation of its 1,000th member into Sigma Nu from the Theta Alpha Chapter and the celebration will provide an opportunity for members, alumni and guests to reflect on all that has been accomplished over the past five decades.

**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, November 4, 2017 as

## "SIGMA NU THETA ALPHA CHAPTER DAY"

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the contributions Sigma Nu Fraternity and the Theta Alpha members have made to our community and nation, and in wishing them continued success.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 25th day of October, 2017.



Bob Buchhon
Mayor