

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, **Conga Caliente**, one of the largest Hispanic themed events in Florida, celebrates the rich Hispanic arts and culture from around the world and will hold its **Fourteenth Annual Celebration** at Al Lopez Park in Tampa, Florida on Sunday, November 5, 2017; and

WHEREAS, this family-oriented event will include displays featuring local artists, a youth area, musical performances, a variety of traditional ethnic foods, a health education area, corporate and art villages, domino tournaments, beer garden, traditional cigars and other informational and educational displays sponsored by various organizations and businesses; and

WHEREAS, produced by **Coda Sound, Inc.**, the Conga Caliente Festival will feature national and international award-winning performing artists and celebrities including Oscar D'Leon (*El Sonero del Mundo*), Michael Pelayo, Aylin y La Makina Timbera, Dominican Bachata artist Andy Andy, and the legendary Don Pedro Rivera; and

WHEREAS, the festival is sponsored by many generous businesses and organizations, and while most of the events are free, proceeds will benefit nonprofit organizations including several community service providers, the Police Athletic League, and improvements for Al Lopez Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tampa is honored to participate and support this event that provides a wonderful opportunity for all residents and many visitors to enjoy a fun-filled day while learning about our city's Hispanic heritage and its traditions.

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, November 5, 2017 as

“CONGA CALIENTE FESTIVAL DAY”

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in wishing the organizers, sponsors, participants, and visitors a most successful celebration.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 5th day of November, 2017.



Bob Buckhorn

Mayor

