

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, The City of Tampa is proud to recognize those businesses and organizations who have made a mark in our city by their economic investment and involvement in the community, and **WellCare Health Plans, Incorporated** is one such company; and

WHEREAS, established in Tampa, Florida in 1985, WellCare Health Plans' focus is on providing government-sponsored managed care services, primarily through Medicaid, Medicare Advantage and Medicare Prescription Drug Plans to families, children, seniors and individuals with complex medical needs; and

WHEREAS, serving approximately 4.4 million members with a staff of nearly 9,000 employees nationwide, WellCare Health Plans' vision is to be a leader in government-sponsored health care programs in collaboration with its members, providers and government partners, and it strives to help its members lead better and healthier lives; and

WHEREAS, to help members navigate the social support networks within their communities, **WellCare Advocacy and Community-Based Programs** connect the members with resources including the *CommUnity Commitment* initiative that links members with social services such as food banks, housing, financial and legal assistance, and educational and employment services; and

WHEREAS, the **WellCare Community Foundation**, established in 2010, fosters and promotes the health, wellbeing and quality of life for underserved populations including the elderly, young and indigent, and the Foundation has distributed more than \$850,000 to community support groups including the American Diabetes Association, American Red Cross, National Association of Mental Illness and the Children's Home Society of Florida, and the *WellCare Associate Volunteer Effort (WAVE)* offers employees opportunities to give back through community involvement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tampa appreciates the contributions WellCare Health Plans has made to the Tampa Bay area for over three decades, and wishes them continued success.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Monday, March 5, 2018 as

"WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS DAY"

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in thanking the WellCare Health Plans organization and employees for their economic and philanthropic impact to our community.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 28th day of February, 2018.



Bob Buckhorn

Mayor

