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Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, the United States Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) is the worldwide headquarters for Special Operations Forces (SOF) of the United States Military; and

WHEREAS, USSOCOM is located at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida, and its military members and civilian employees, and their families reside and contribute greatly to our community; and

WHEREAS, USSOCOM is hosting International Special Operations Forces Week from May 21-24, 2018 at the Tampa Convention Center and surrounding areas, bringing together United States Special Operations Forces and International Partners; and

WHEREAS, this conference week is held in conjunction with the Special Operations Forces Industry Conference, which USSOCOM co-hosts with the National Defense Industrial Association from May 21-24, 2018, bringing together hundreds of businesses and corporations with United States Special Operations Forces leadership; and

WHEREAS, the city of Tampa is extremely proud of USSOCOM and the outstanding job its military forces and civilian employees are performing locally and worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the city of Tampa is honored to host the attendees that are visiting from around the world, and the corporate and business sectors presenting at both the International Special Operations Forces Week and the Special Operations Forces Industry Conference.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 21-24, 2018 as

"2018 INTERNATIONAL SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES WEEK"

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in welcoming all those attending and in thanking them for the extraordinary efforts they are making on our nation's behalf.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 21st day of May, 2018.



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