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Jane Castor, Mayor

WHEREAS, WMNF Community Radio, 88.5 FM was established September 1979 in Tampa, Florida with a group of dedicated volunteers, second-hand equipment, and donations of money, supplies and furniture, and with a vision of a radio station committed to promoting the community's values and celebrating the rich diversity of the Tampa Bay area; and

**WHEREAS**, over the past four decades, WMNF Community Radio has grown to include 10,000 square foot state-of-the-art radio station located on Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard in Tampa, Florida, and it is entirely funded by individual donors and local businesses; and

WHEREAS, WMNF Community Radio is a volunteer-powered, listener-supported radio station that celebrates cultural diversity and it is committed to quality, peace, and economic justice, and provides broadcasts and other forums with a grassroots local emphasis that promotes creative musical and political vitality, and exceptional entertainment for its listening audience; and

**WHEREAS**, the music, arts, and cultural programming of WMNF Community Radio covers a wide spectrum of expression, and the news and public affairs programming emphasizes controversial, neglected, and non-mainstream points of view on important local, national and world issues; and

**WHEREAS**, advocates for peace, social and environmental justice, WMNF Community Radio embraces the diversity, tolerance of others' opinions, and freedom of expression; and

**WHEREAS**, WMNF Community Radio will host a *Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration* on Saturday, September 14, 2019, at the historic Coliseum in St. Petersburg, Florida, and the City of Tampa is pleased to join with the organization, its volunteers and support base, and dedicated audience in honoring this significant milestone.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jane Castor, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Saturday, September 14, 2019 as

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in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in congratulating WMNF on this 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary occasion, thanking all those involved for their contributions to the Tampa Bay area community, and wishing them continued success.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 13th day of September, 2019.

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