

# Proclamation



Jane Castor, Mayor

**WHEREAS**, the men and women of the United States of America's Armed Forces have served this nation in times of peace and war, and in doing so, have assured the safety and prosperity of all our nation's citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, Tampa, Florida is fortunate and proud to be home to MacDill Air Force Base (AFB), headquarters of the United States Central Command, the United States Special Operations Command, and the **6<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing**, its members and their families, and they are an integral part of the Tampa Bay area and contribute greatly to our community; and

**WHEREAS**, celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the 6<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing plays a vital role in the protection of our nation and its mission is to ***Deliver Unmatched Air Refueling, Installation, and Mission Support***, and its vision is ***Mission Focused... Valued Airmen***; and

**WHEREAS**, originally located in Eielson AFB, Alaska and relocated to MacDill AFB in 1994, the 6<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing is comprised of Operations, Maintenance, Mission Support, Medical, and the Wing Staff, and its 3,000 member force is dedicated to being America's premier mobility team providing world-class air refueling, responsive airlift and airbase support to Headquarters U.S. Central Command, Headquarters U.S. Special Operations Command, and more than 33 other mission partners of MacDill AFB; and

**WHEREAS**, under its Commander, Colonel Steve Snelson, the 6<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing is hosting a **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** on Monday, September 30, 2019, at MacDill Community Park, and the special event provides an opportunity to reflect on all that has been accomplished over the past century, and brings awareness about the important and vital role they foster in the security and protection of the United States, and in our nation's precious freedom and way of life.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jane Castor, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Monday, September 30, 2019 as

## ***"6<sup>th</sup> AIR REFUELING WING DAY"***

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in congratulating the 6<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing on this 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary milestone, and honoring, recognizing, and thanking the members of United States Armed Forces every day.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2019.



*Jane Castor*  
Mayor