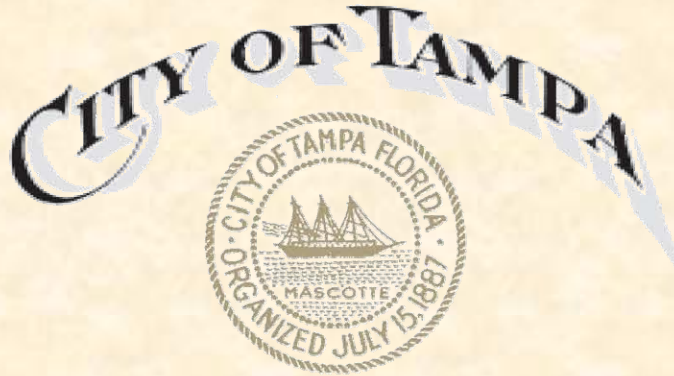


# Proclamation



PAM IORIO, MAYOR

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tampa takes pride in recognizing those individuals whose commitment and dedication have made a lasting impact on our community and its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, as a member of the Tampa-Hillsborough County Library Board from 1990 – 2005, Mrs. Helen Swisshelm is one such person; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Swisshelm's dedication to public service began in 1971 during her employment with Hillsborough County in such offices as the Board of County Commissioners, Supervisor of Elections Office and the State Attorney's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, after retiring in 1993, she continued to serve her community on the Tampa-Hillsborough County Library Board and was best known for her efforts in advocating for libraries in underserved communities, and for her involvement in the expansion of the Lutz Branch library; and

**WHEREAS**, this service led to her becoming the founder of the Friends of the Lutz Branch Library where she continues to serve as President and remains committed to their goal of helping promote good reading and communication skills through a variety of programs and activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tampa is honored to join in recognizing Mrs. Swisshelm for her many community contributions as she is honored by the Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library System with the naming of a reading room in her honor at the Lutz facility.

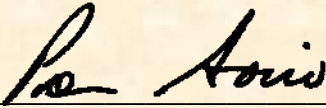
**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Pam Iorio, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 9, 2007 as

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in the City of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in expressing appreciation to her for her many contributions to the betterment of our community.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2007.



  
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Mayor