

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. Frederick B. Karl is one such person. As a graduate of the University of Florida, Fred received his law degree from Stetson University and has been admitted to practice in all Florida and Federal Courts, including the United States Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, his service to the citizens of our community and our state has been exemplary and multi-faceted – ranging from serving as City Attorney for the cities of Ormond Beach and Daytona Beach; Chief Legal Officer and County Administrator for Hillsborough County; President/CEO of Tampa General Hospital; and, most recently as City Attorney for the City of Tampa; and

WHEREAS, serving as a Florida State Representative from Volusia County for eight years, Fred was also elected to the State Senate and has the distinction of being the last elected Justice to the Florida Supreme Court. Widely known for his commitment to excellence and integrity in public service, Fred has devoted a great deal of his time to various boards and committees including serving as a member of the State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities, the Southern Regional Education Board, Florida State Board of Optometry, the Governor's Task Force for the Review of the Criminal Justice and Corrections Systems and Chairman of the City of Tampa Ethics Commission.

WHEREAS, a firm believer in the value of community service, Fred has led by example through his volunteer efforts with such organizations as the United Way of Hillsborough County, the Rotary Club of Tampa, the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce/Committee of 100, the Board of Overseers for Stetson University College of Law, the Museum of Science and Industry and many others; and

WHEREAS, while his awards and commendations are too numerous to list, Fred has been recognized for his excellence in leadership and service by his peers as well as various publications, schools and community organizations throughout the state, including the renaming of County Center in his honor; and

WHEREAS, his efforts have been instrumental in implementing numerous initiatives and policies resulting in an improved quality of life for our residents and although retired from active public life, his commitment to public service will ensure that our citizens continue to reap the rewards of his work for many years to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Pam Iorio, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, April 16, 2008 as

“FREDERICK B. KARL DAY”

in the City of Tampa, Florida and encourage all citizens to join me in saluting the valuable contributions he has made to our community.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 16th day of April, 2008.



City of
Tampa
Florida

Pam Iorio

Mayor