

# Proclamation



*Pam Iorio, Mayor*

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tampa is honored to recognize David L. Smith for his years of devoted and committed service to our citizens. As City Attorney for the past 4 years, his dedication has resulted in improvements to the lives of thousands of youth, adults and seniors throughout our community; and

**WHEREAS**, a resident of Tampa for many years, David graduated from Bishop Barry High School in St. Petersburg and attended the U.S. Naval Academy majoring in Aerospace Engineering. He went on to attend the University of Florida and the University of Chicago, receiving a Master of Arts in Political Science in 1977 and his Juris Doctorate from the University of Florida in 1980; and

**WHEREAS**, involved in numerous government, community and civic organizations, David is most proud of his work with the ALS Association of Florida. Working with his late wife Ann, who was diagnosed with this disease in 1985, David became actively involved with this group, lobbying successfully to help provide programs and care for those affected. Today, this organization works statewide and includes clinics, offices and patient services throughout the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, as a shareholder and associate for various law firms in Tampa and the surrounding areas, David became an expert in many areas of law including real estate, land use, corporate, and governmental regulatory matters making him uniquely qualified to serve as Tampa's City Attorney; and

**WHEREAS**, while he is technologically challenged, David Smith has distinguished himself as an outstanding city attorney, serving with intelligence, honesty and common sense, always putting the citizens of Tampa first; and

**WHEREAS**, David's vast vocabulary has educated all of us in the city who are slightly less advanced in our knowledge of the English language; and

**WHEREAS**, although he has decided to return to private practice, we know that David's commitment to serving others will not end as he has left a lasting legacy in the City of Tampa.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Pam Iorio, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim July 18, 2008 as

## "DAVID L. SMITH DAY"

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and encourage all residents to join me in expressing sincere appreciation and gratitude to him for his commitment to our city and its residents.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2008

Mayor

