

# Proclamation



*Pam Iorio, Mayor*

**WHEREAS**, family history research is one of the most popular hobbies in our country, enabling individuals to celebrate their ancestors' achievements as well as pass on important genetic information vital to the health and well-being of family members; and

**WHEREAS**, families are the foundation of our nation's society and passing on this history ensures that future generations will be aware of the role our ancestors had in forming our great nation; and

**WHEREAS**, locally, the Florida Genealogical Society works to encourage research, publication and preservation of genealogical and historical materials and assists its members and the public in modern and traditional methods of research; and

**WHEREAS**, founded in Tampa in 1958, the Florida Genealogical Society is the oldest genealogical society in the State of Florida and will be celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, commencing with a banquet on September 12 and their annual fall seminar on September 13; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tampa is pleased to recognize this organization on achieving this milestone in their history and to publicly express support for their efforts.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Pam Iorio, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby designate September 12 in honor of the

## ***"FLORIDA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY"***

and further proclaim the month of October, 2008 as

## ***"FAMILY HISTORY MONTH"***

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and encourage all citizens to actively research and share their unique family histories and to participate in Family History Month activities.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2008.



*Pam Iorio*

Mayor

