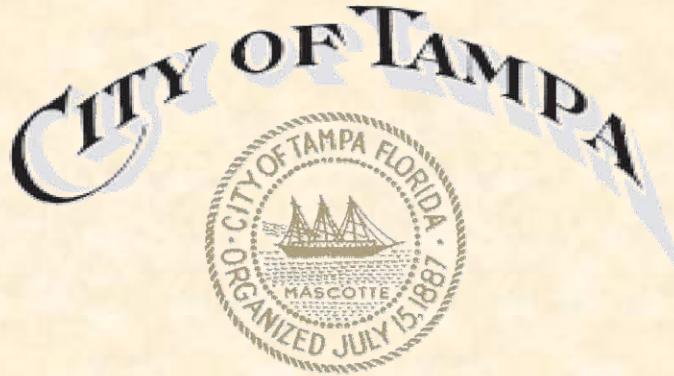


# Proclamation



PAM IORIO, MAYOR

**WHEREAS**, as home to the NFL's 27<sup>th</sup> franchise, Tampa is proud of its championship Tampa Bay Buccaneers and today is especially proud of its kicker, Matt Bryant; and

**WHEREAS**, as a city known for its can-do attitude, the roar heard throughout the city during the last few seconds of the game on Sunday, October 22 against the Philadelphia Eagles was equal to that heard during our win of **SUPERBOWL XXXVII**; and

**WHEREAS**, holding the lead through most of the game thanks in large part to Ronde Barber's return of two interceptions, the Bucs were down 21-20 following a last minute touchdown by the Eagles; and

**WHEREAS**, with a kick-off return to the 36 yard line by the Bucs' Michael Pittman and two more plays, our team was at the 44 yard line when Matt Bryant was given the almost impossible task of kicking a game-winning 62 yard field goal – 1 yard short of the NFL record - with 4 seconds left on the clock; and

**WHEREAS**, once again, in spite of all adversity, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers came through – Matt Bryant performed a miracle with the second longest kick in NFL history, giving the Bucs a stunning 23-21 victory and keeping hope alive for the 2006 season; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Pam Iorio, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Monday, October 23, 2006 as

## ***"MATT BRYANT DAY"***

in the City of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in congratulating him on his unforgettable winning kick that has inspired us all and will surely lead the Bucs on to a victorious 2006 season.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2006.



Mayor

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Pam Iorio", is written over a horizontal line.