

Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority (ΔΣΘ), Incorporated is a private, not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to provide assistance and support through established programs in communities throughout the world, and is the largest African-American Greek-lettered sorority with 1,000 alumnae and collegiate chapters located throughout the United States and around the globe, including the Bahamas, Bermuda, England, Germany, Japan, the Republic of Korea, and the Virgin Islands; and

WHEREAS, established in 1913 by twenty-two women on the Howard University Campus in Washington, D.C., the organization remains true to the founding vision of promoting academic excellence, providing scholarship assistance, supporting the underserved, educating and stimulating participation in the establishment of positive public policy, and highlighting issues and providing solutions to problems in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is faithfully committed to the *Five Point Programmatic Thrust* of Economic Development, Educational Development, International Awareness and Involvement, Physical and Mental Health, and Political Awareness and Involvement, as established over 100 years ago; and

WHEREAS, in 1966, Dr. Paulette C. Walker began her commitment to Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and her dedication and leadership earned her great respect from the members which ultimately led to her to being named the 25th National President in 2013; and

WHEREAS, with Dr. Walker's motto of *No one can make you feel inferior without your consent*, she has led Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. with vision, expertise and wisdom, and she serves as a role model and inspiration, empowering the membership and elevating the organization, and as a Tampa, Florida resident since 1990, she is endeared to our community for her professional and civic leadership including serving on many local advisory boards; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, August 26, 2017, the members of the Tampa Chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will welcome past National President, Dr. Paulette C. Walker as they honor her with the **Dr. Paulette C. Walker Charity Celebration Luncheon** held at the Hilton Downtown Hotel.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Saturday, August 26, 2017 as

“DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED, DR. PAULETTE C. WALKER DAY”

in the city of Tampa and urge all citizens to join me in congratulating Dr. Paulette C. Walker on all she has accomplished over her lifetime including her positive impact with Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and thanking her for her many contributions to our community, state and nation.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 26th day of August, 2017.





Mayor