

# Proclamation



*Jane Castor, Mayor*

**WHEREAS**, founded on December 26, 1931, at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York, **Phi Iota Alpha (ΦΙΑ) Fraternity, Inc.** was established with the merging of Phi Lambda Alpha and Sigma Iota, and is the oldest international Latino fraternity in existence, currently with sixty-six chapters and sixteen colonies; and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity includes a steadfast commitment to the development of professional leaders through shared experiences and the fostering of lifelong brotherhood, and its members are dedicated to promoting the ideals of Pan Americanism and uniting the Latino community through motivation, intellectual dialogue, cultural awareness, and community service; and

**WHEREAS**, the Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity motto is *Semper Parati, Semper Juncti* (Always Prepared, Always Together,) and the organization's colors are Gold, Navy Blue, Red and White, its fraternal symbol is the Lion, and the national philanthropy is the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF); and

**WHEREAS**, Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity is holding its **87<sup>th</sup> National Convention** in Tampa, Florida, on July 24-28, 2019 at The Westin Tampa Waterside Hotel, and the event includes a Topgolf Networking Night, a Brother Networking Night, and an Awards Banquet aboard the Yacht StarShip; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tampa is pleased to welcome Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity members, alumni and guests to our beautiful city and hopes the time here will be productive and very enjoyable.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Jane Castor, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim Saturday, July 27, 2019 as

## **“PHI IOTA ALPHA FRATERNITY DAY”**

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the contributions Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity members have made to our nation, and in wishing them continued success.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019.



*Jane Castor*  
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Mayor