

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the victims' rights movement has resulted in the passage of laws at the local, state and federal levels that guarantee victims the right to meaningfully participate and use their voice in the criminal justice process; and

WHEREAS, incorporating communities existing experts and trusted sources of support will develop a criminal justice system response that is truly accessible and appropriate for all victims of crime. With the unwavering support of their communities, victim service providers, advocates, law enforcement officers and other allied professionals can help survivors find their justice by enforcing their rights; and

WHEREAS, honoring the rights of victims, including the rights to be treated with fairness, dignity and respect rebuilds their trust in the criminal justice and social service systems; and

WHEREAS, National Crime Victims' Rights Week provides an opportunity to recommit to listening to crime survivors in every space where decisions are made that could impact them; and

WHEREAS, the City of Ormond Beach is hereby dedicated to strengthening victims and survivors in the aftermath of crime, building resilience in our communities and our victim responders and working for a better future for all victims and survivors.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Partington, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 23-29, 2023, as

NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK

in the City of Ormond Beach reaffirming the city's commitment to creating a response that assists all crime victims and expresses appreciation for community members, service providers and criminal justice professionals who are committed to improving the response to all victims so they may find assistance, support, justice and peace.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 18th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two.





BILL PARTINGTON
Mayor