

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Kiwanis International, founded in 1915, is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. There are more than 9,000 Kiwanis clubs in more than 80 nations, with nearly one third of a million Kiwanians of different cultures helping to improve people's lives. The Florida district is one of the largest and most successful districts in Kiwanis International with more than 290 clubs and 11,000 Kiwanians. The members of the Kiwanis Club of Ormond Beach have supported many programs in the City of Ormond Beach; and

WHEREAS, former Kiwanian and City Manager, Gerald Althouse, whom the fitness trail located at Central Park was named the "G. F. Althouse Trail" in 2003, envisioned Central Park as a passive park for jogging, bird watching, fishing, sailing, kayaking, canoeing, gardening, an outdoor education center, butterfly garden and other improvements, which have all come together as a vast park around five lakes in the middle of the city; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, the Kiwanis Club of Ormond Beach, The Florida Kiwanis Foundation and the City of Ormond Beach combined resources to provide a cutting-edge playground at Central Park Phase 2 designed for all abilities, including but not limited to Autism Spectrum children; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, the City Commission made a community garden their goal to promote a healthy lifestyle with the help of community organizations, such as the Kiwanis Club of Ormond Beach, who are co-sponsoring the community garden at Central Park off Hammock Lane. The Kiwanis Club was also a sponsor of the Kiwanis baseball field at the Ormond Beach Sports Complex for many years; and

WHEREAS, in January 2015, the Kiwanis Club joined the City of Ormond in supporting the city's urban forestry program by dedicating a second Live Oak tree at the Arbor Day celebration in Central Park 2 in memory of a fellow Kiwanian; and

WHEREAS, you can see the Kiwanis Club has dedicated itself to the betterment of their organization and improving the quality of life in their local communities by the many programs they support;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim February 26, 2015, as a day to celebrate the

KIWANIS CLUB

in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all residents in commending the Kiwanis Club of Ormond Beach and Kiwanis International for its 100 years of valuable service and extending best wishes for continued success in the future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 26th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Fifteen.



Ed Kelley
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Mayor