

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Catherine Snyder, "Kay" as her friends call her, was born in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, to Catherine and Rudolph Beal on August 18, 1916. Catherine and Rudolph immigrated from Germany seeking a new life in America, migrating to Johnstown in the early 1900's. Kay was the middle child of five children. Kay's father died when she was 11 years old, and the family struggled to survive during the Great Depression, as well as the great Johnstown Flood of 1936. Kay left school after the 8th grade to go to work because all the children in the family had to help support the family; and

WHEREAS, Kay met her husband Edward in Johnstown, and they were married in 1946 by an Army chaplain in Fort Benning, Georgia. Kay and Ed had one child, Warren, who with his wife, Karen, have five children, giving "Nan" five beloved grandchildren and four great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Kay and Ed worked hard all their lives and loved to travel--traveling to Florida for one vacation and falling in love with Florida's sandy beaches and sunny tropical weather. They returned to Florida every year on vacation for over 20 years and finally retired, settling in Ormond Beach in 1981. Ed passed away a few years ago at age 94, but Kay still lives in the house she and Ed built, enjoying the Florida sunshine and daily walks to the beach; and

WHEREAS, Kay has one piece of advice for people who ask her how she has lived to be 100, and she tells them to "*always keep moving*" and "*you're only as old as you feel and she doesn't feel a day over 65!*"; and

WHEREAS, Kay is celebrating her 100th birthday today with family at her home at 113 Sand Dunes Drive in Ormond Beach;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, do hereby proclaim August 20, 2016, as

CATHERINE SNYDER DAY

in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all residents to join with me this day in tribute to Catherine Snyder as she celebrates her 100th birthday.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, to be affixed this 20th day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Sixteen.



Ed Kelley
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Mayor