

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Joyce Ebbets, a longtime resident of the City of Ormond Beach, was a staunch supporter of the Central Park project over the years. She tirelessly devoted her services as a citizen and City Commissioner toward accomplishing our community vision of having a trail system, picnic areas, providing a habitat for animals, and ample green space in Central Park for the residents of Ormond Beach to enjoy; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Ebbets was instrumental in securing ECHO and Land and Water Conservation grants for trails, a pier, boardwalk, and restroom renovations at the Hand Avenue park; and

**WHEREAS**, the city even named a fishing pier and observation deck in Central Park the "*Joyce Ebbets Fishing Pier and Observation Deck*" in honor of Ms. Ebbets for her dedication and support of Central Park planning and amenities; and

**WHEREAS**, for many years, Ms. Ebbets had supported the interconnection of the Central Park lakes, which was made possible through a FEMA grant, but her ultimate dream was to help establish a "living classroom" within the park for the families of the area where her love for the environment could be passed on for generations to come. Her dream came true on May 21, 2016, when she participated in the ribbon cutting for her beloved *Environmental Discovery Center* on Division Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, Ms. Ebbets was truly an amazing person who has touched many lives in our community;

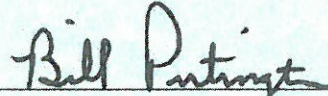
**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Partington, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, do hereby proclaim April 18, 2017, as a day to pay tribute to

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in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all residents to join with me this day in tribute and appreciation to Joyce Ebbets for her achievements at Central Park and her service to our community.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, to be affixed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Seventeen.



  
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**BILL PARTINGTON**  
Mayor