

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, on Independence Day, we remember names like Washington, Adams, Jefferson, Franklin, and Hancock. Today, we honor their courage and vision. We are grateful that our Founders pledged their lives, and their sacred honor to create an independent America. And we are thankful that this Nation under God is still free, independent, and America is a place of freedom and opportunity...All of us are blessed to be citizens of the United States and are proud to call America our home. (President George Bush, July 4, 2004); and

**WHEREAS**, it is up to us to preserve the freedom that so many brave Americans risked their lives to secure. It is up to us to realize our country's highest ideals of justice, equality, and human dignity...(President Bill Clinton, July 4, 2000);

On this Fourth of July, we honor the brave men and women of our military, and their families, and we express our gratitude for their courage, dedication to duty, and love of country;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Partington, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, July 4, 2017, as

## INDEPENDENCE DAY

in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all citizens and visitors alike to join with me on this day as we celebrate Independence Day in Rockefeller Gardens, Ormond Beach, Florida.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, to be affixed this 4th day of July in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Seventeen.



*Bill Partington*  
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**BILL PARTINGTON**  
Mayor