

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, C. David Hood moved to Ormond Beach in 1978 and is a former law partner with Smith, Hood, Stout, Bigman and Brock, P.A. He served on the Ormond Beach City Commission from 1992 through 1993, and served as the Mayor of Ormond Beach from 1994 through 1999. In 2012 he ran for the newly created Florida House of Representatives District 25 position where he served as a representative until 2014, when he was appointed to the bench of the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Judge Hood has served on numerous charitable and service organizations over the years, including Easter Seals of Volusia & Flagler, United Way, Halifax Habitat for Humanity, Stewart Marchman Treatment Center, Civic League of Volusia County, Volusia County Sports Task Force, State Forum on Children at Risk, Juvenile Criminal Justice Program and Serenity House. He was a driving force in providing equal access for the handicapped, offering a hand-up to the disadvantaged, raising awareness of the cycle of drug abuse and fundraising for worthy causes; and

WHEREAS, Judge Hood has a lifelong dedication to public service and to the City of Ormond Beach. He played a significant role in coaching youth football, basketball and baseball teams within the city from 1979-1985. He also played a major role in providing comparable recreational facilities for both girls and boys; and

WHEREAS, Judge Hood cares about people. He provided a very special Christmas for a young girl fighting stomach cancer while battling health issues of his own. The girl passed away not long after and Judge Hood framed the thank you note she had written for his wall. He also started the tradition of having a holiday party, with guests bringing gifts for children, and then distributing the many bicycles, scooters and such in our community; and

WHEREAS, the quote from Judge Hood when he was running for the State House of Representatives sums up his character: "I feel strongly that the quality of a community is best demonstrated by that community's commitment to helping those with the least advantages. The failure to understand and solve issues such as workforce housing, affordable health insurance for all, minimizing tax burdens on seniors and small businesses and failing to create a diverse, high paying job base, such that our children are our greatest exports, is immoral and wrong"; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission approved Resolution 2018-152 on October 16, 2018, naming City Hall Plaza the "David Hood Plaza" to honor Judge Hood and his heart for the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Partington, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 27, 2018, as a day to recognize

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in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all residents to join with me in honoring Judge Hood for his service and dedication to his profession and our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 27th day of October in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eighteen.



BILL PARTINGTON
Mayor