

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Jim Cameron is Senior Vice President of Government Relations for the Daytona Regional Chamber of Commerce and is responsible for coordinating lobbying activities between Chamber members and local, state and congressional officials. Jim sees himself as a facilitator, not a salesman. He makes introductions and allows the municipalities, businesses, and lawmakers to communicate their needs or issues directly; and

WHEREAS, Jim grew up in Montgomery, Alabama and majored in history and political science at The University of Alabama. After college, Jim worked for the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce in Anniston, Alabama. In 1983, Jim left Alabama and moved to Florida where he started working at the Daytona Regional Chamber of Commerce on April 18. Jim and his wife, Rita, live in Daytona Beach and enjoy their time living in our beautiful community; and

WHEREAS, Jim has been engaged in issues in Ormond Beach, including facilitating the Ormond Beach City Commission's involvement in Volusia Days every year. Jim is known to attend City Commission meetings, where he details upcoming events held by the Daytona Regional Chamber or inquires where the City needs assistance. More recently, Jim assisted in accelerating FEMA reimbursement funds to the City of Ormond Beach for Hurricane Matthew. He is also serving our community through his involvement on boards for the Volusia/Flagler Continuum of Care, United Way of Volusia and Flagler Counties, and Junior Achievement. Jim has many accomplishments including helping to bring SunRail to Volusia County and the Hard Rock Hotel to Daytona Beach, working with Space Florida to recruit aerospace companies, and addressing the area's homeless population. Jim is very focused on the issues and sees them through to the end result; and

WHEREAS, Jim will be retiring at the end of April 2021, after 38 years of service to the Daytona Regional Chamber of Commerce. He plans to continue his calling by assisting individuals in making connections as a government relations consultant. People that know Jim indicate that everything he does is in the best interest of the residents of Volusia County. We will miss Jim's southern charm at the City Commission meetings, but hope he will visit from time to time.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Partington, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 6, 2021, as a day to recognize

JIM CAMERON

in the City of Ormond Beach and encourage all residents to join me in a "Roll Tide" and in wishing Jim Cameron the best in his well-deserved retirement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 6th day of April in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-One.



BILL PARTINGTON
Mayor