

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, John J. (J.J.) Martin, born in Charlotte, North Carolina on April 6, 1941 served an honorable 20-year career in the United States Air Force, including two tours in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, J.J. served on the Standardized and Evaluation Team of the Special Air Warfare Center, and as a logistic support technician for the historic Son Tay Raid to rescue America POWs; and

WHEREAS, after moving to Volusia County with his wife Mary, J.J., a retired Master Sergeant, worked for the Tomoka Correctional Institute and Stewart Marchman Center; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement J.J. became a significant figure and reliable voice for our military veterans and as an active citizen liaison with the Daytona Beach Police Department; and

WHEREAS, serving as President of the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1048, Volusia County Veterans Council and as a mentor for Judge Beck's Volusia County Veterans Court, J.J. helped organize numerous activities including community building events for military veterans and first responders, partnering with groups such as Ormond Strong; and

WHEREAS, even after his death on August 19, 2016, J.J. continues to serve his community as a shining example of leadership, allowing us the aptly named event to provide resources for military veterans, first responders and disabled and homeless veterans through the organizations he supported and loved.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Partington, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim February 26, 2022, as a day to recognize

JOHN J. "J.J." MARTIN

in the City of Ormond Beach and encourage all residents to join me in remembering John J. (J.J.) Martin for his contributions to the community, particularly the veterans and the organizations that support them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 15th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty-Two.



BILL PARTINGTON
Mayor