

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Gordon Kipp relocated with his mother and father and his sister to DeLand, Florida, when he was five years old, where he attended public school and graduated from DeLand High School at the age of 15. Among those attending the graduation was Dr. William Sims Allen, who was president of Stetson University. Dr. Allen offered Gordon a working scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Gordon served in the United States Marine Corps during World War II and the Korean War, but he stayed active in the Reserves for 30 years and was discharged with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in 1963; and

WHEREAS, Gordon has worked as a newspaperman—off and on—for more than 30 years in Florida towns such as Ocala, Bunnell, DeLand, Daytona Beach, and Ormond Beach. He has covered sports, city hall, county government, civic groups, launches at the Cape—you name it, Gordon did it. He was editor of three different weekly papers and served as Regional News Editor for the Daytona Beach News-Journal for 11 years, as well as a public relations man for six years; and

WHEREAS, Gordon was instrumental in proposing the establishing of the city's Historic Landmark Preservation Board, which he served on for 11 years. He was proud of his affiliation with the Ormond Beach Historical Trust and was involved in saving a Timucuan Indian Mound on Mound Avenue and a sugar mill and rum distillery called The Three Chimneys on Granada Boulevard, as well as efforts to save the grand old Hotel Ormond; and

WHEREAS, Gordon Kipp lead a very active life and will be remembered for his sense of humor and as a good friend. He was a faithful, loving husband and father, grandfather and great-grandfather. His extended family included his wonderful Rotarian friends and members of the Ormond Beach Historical Society;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 25, 2011, in memory of

GORDON KIPP

in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all residents to join with me on this day as we extend our sincere condolences to the family of Gordon Kipp.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 25th day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eleven.



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Kelley".

ED KELLEY
Mayor