

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the National Day of Prayer is a time set aside by Congress for Americans to pray and reaffirm the spiritual principles upon which this nation was founded; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout the six decades since Congress established an annual National Day of Prayer, untold millions of Americans have come together every year to express humble reliance upon the Almighty. In doing so, we pay tribute to the example set by our Founding Fathers and by presidents down through the years who have exhorted the American people to seek God's help and deliverance during trying times; and

**WHEREAS**, it is fitting that we should give thanks for the freedom and prosperity which our nation, state, and city enjoy and pray for the continued guidance and comfort which God has graciously bestowed upon this nation since its inception; and

**WHEREAS**, we continue to give thanks for the men and women of the military that are defending freedom and humbly ask for their protection and pray for peace throughout the world; and

**WHEREAS**, this year's theme, "***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God***," based on Psalm 91:2, which states, "*I will say of the Lord, 'He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in Whom I trust.'*" marks the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Observance of the National Day of Prayer; and

**WHEREAS**, across our land on May 5, Americans will unite at specific times in prayer for our nation, state, and cities to give thanks for the many blessings our country has received, to recognize our need for personal and corporate renewal of moral values, to pray for our leaders and the unity of our nation;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 5, 2011, as a

## DAY OF PRAYER

in the City of Ormond Beach and ask all Ormond Beach residents and encourage members of all faith communities represented in Ormond Beach, Volusia County, the State of Florida, and the United States of America, "*One Nation Under God*," to reaffirm the spiritual principles upon which our nation was founded.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 5th day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eleven.



**ED KELLEY**  
Mayor