

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Doug Thomas, since moving to Ormond Beach in 1973, has worked to make Ormond Beach a better place for its citizens and specifically, its children; and

WHEREAS, Doug has served on the Ormond Beach Police Athletic League (PAL) Board of Directors for many years and strives to meet and usually exceeds the goals of the PAL program. Being a strong advocate of the PAL program, Doug Thomas has on more than one occasion fought for the continuation of PAL in this time of economic hardship when outreach programs are often the first to be considered for budgetary cuts, but Doug has stood his ground in support of PAL before our City Commission and fought to keep the PAL program alive. He is an outstanding spokesman and very influential, and a force to be reckoned with and compassionate about the success and longevity of PAL; and

WHEREAS, Doug is a well-known and respected citizen of the community exemplifying the spirit of volunteering through his continuous participation in PAL fundraisers, activities, and education programs. He has generously donated funds as a major Sponsor of the Ormond Beach PAL Annual Golf Tournament, as well as putting a team together to participate in the tournament itself. As a local business owner and community leader, he has helped to influence many of his community connections to also participate in the causes he feels strongly about. When specific items were needed, he did not hesitate to help find a solution to obtaining them, such as computers for the PAL tutoring program and a pool table for after school recreation at the South Ormond Neighborhood Center.

WHEREAS, Doug Thomas is a leader, motivator, and role model to both youth and adults in the community. He continues to volunteer his time and resources toward the common goal of a better community and promises bright productive futures for our youth; and

WHEREAS, in the course of working to improve the quality of life of Ormond Beach, Doug Thomas has served on the Leisure Services Advisory Board, Planning Board, Quality of Life Advisory Board, Beach Advisory Board, and the Ormond Beach Youth Baseball and Softball Association. Doug advocates, and by example, has proven the importance of giving more than he takes from life; and

WHEREAS, Doug is the recipient of the 2010 National Police Athletic/Activities League's Award for Male Volunteer of the Year!

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2011, as

DOUG THOMAS DAY

in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all residents to join with me in recognizing Doug Thomas for his outstanding service to the community and exemplary commitment to Ormond Beach.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 17th day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eleven.




ED KELLEY
Mayor