

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Pop Warner is the nation's largest youth football and cheerleading organization with nearly 400,000 participants from every state in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, Pop Warner programs seek to develop well-rounded young men and women who learn not only the fundamentals of football and cheerleading, but the importance of education in an atmosphere conducive to developing sound character while having a good time, as well as promoting integrity, leadership, excellence, and academics requiring participants to maintain academic standards in order to participate; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ormond Beach Pop Warner Sandcrabs Youth Football and Cheerleading Association have been participating in football and cheerleading activities since the year 2000. In 12 seasons, there have been multiple cheerleading squads and football teams that have won championships at the state and Southeast Regional levels; and

**WHEREAS**, five years ago, two of the cheer squads won the Southeast Region and competed at Disney World for the National Championships, which only a very small number of squads around the country earn the right to compete at that level. There have been 19 past football participants that have gone on to compete in sports at the collegiate level; and

**WHEREAS**, although the parents, fans, board members, and founding forefathers of the organization are very proud of all of the successes on the fields and the sidelines, what they are most proud of are the accomplishments off of the field and in the classroom. In 2010, Ormond Beach produced over 50 academic All Americans, who were recognized as one of the leaders nationally. In 2011, the kids worked very hard and surpassed that number and 62 qualified as academic All Americans. In order to achieve this status, a participant must maintain a 96% average in all of their core classes while serving their communities by volunteering in a variety of roles; and

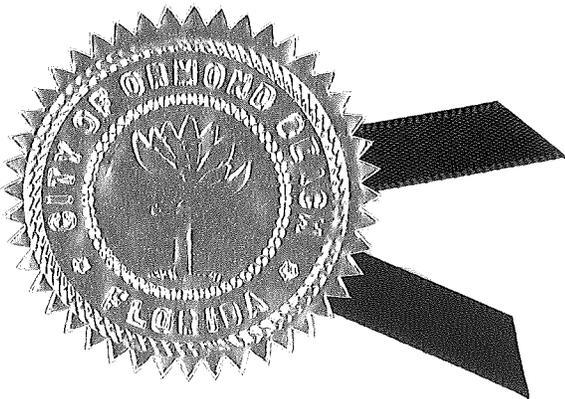
**WHEREAS**, the Ormond Beach Pop Warner academic All American awards represent one of the highest totals in the State of Florida;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 6, 2012, as a day to recognize our Pop Warner

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in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all residents to join with me on this day in acknowledging the accomplishments of these young people as they continue their commitment to future accomplishments and our community.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, to be affixed on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twelve.



  
ED KELLEY  
Mayor