

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Florida's Blood Centers' mission is to provide a safe and adequate blood supply to our hospitals, to support world-class collaborative medical research into human disease, and to improve the quality of life for our employees, partners, donors, and the community; and

WHEREAS, Statistics have shown that one pint of blood can help save the lives of three individuals, making the donation of blood a simple way to help save lives and positively impact the community. Florida's Blood Centers operate in 21 Florida counties and numerous municipalities. FBC and the Van Duzer Foundation, an all-volunteer foundation formed four years ago in St. Lucie County, Florida, to assist families and individuals who are experiencing financial and personal hardship brought on by unforeseen crisis or tragedy, are challenging other Florida cities to organize blood drives with FBC during the "BE A HERO DAY BIKE TOUR 2012" which will begin on June 11 in West Palm Beach, stopping in Ormond Beach on June 17, and ending in Washington, D.C., on July 11; and

WHEREAS, "BE A HERO DAY BIKE TOUR 2012" will increase awareness of the critical need for blood donations and celebrates the generosity and gift of life provided by those self-sacrificing individuals among us who volunteer to donate their blood for the sake of other members of the community; and

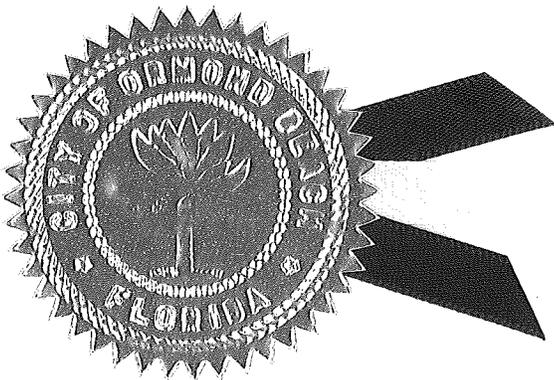
WHEREAS, the observation of "BE A HERO DAY BIKE TOUR 2012" provides excellent opportunities for our residents to work together to save lives in our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, do hereby proclaim June 17, 2012, as a day to

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in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all citizens and visitors alike to join with me to donate blood for the benefit of those in need.

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




ED KELLEY
Mayor