

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, when the new South Ormond Recreation Center was completed in 1998, the Sculpture and Garden Committee of Ormond Beach saw the need for an art piece reflecting African-American art and history; and

WHEREAS, in the fall of 1999, the City of Ormond Beach commissioned Kamal Mateen to paint a mural entitled, "*Then and Now*." The mural combined influential black Americans in both the history of the nation and Ormond Beach and was placed on the south wall in the hallway of the South Ormond Recreation Center, later renamed South Ormond Neighborhood Center; and

WHEREAS, over a period of time, Andrea Hall had shown concern that the original framing of the mural did not do it justice. She lobbied individuals about her concern, and VITAS, America's leading provider of Innovative Hospice Care, graciously took up the challenge and provided funding for the beautiful new framing of the mural; and

WHEREAS, we would like to express our appreciation to VITAS, Dr. Ashley N. Robertson, Curator of the Bethune Foundation at the Bethune-Cookman University, Reverend John Baldwin, II, Chaplain, and Andrea Hall for their efforts in the success of this project; and

WHEREAS, today's "*Unveiled Again*" ceremony celebrates the "*Faces of Pride, Then and Now*" displaying the mural as it should be displayed in its new wood and Plexiglas frame;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim August 25, 2013, as the "*Unveiling Again*" of the mural:

FACES OF PRIDE, THEN AND NOW

in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all residents to join with me on this day as we celebrate the unveiling of the "*Faces of Pride, Then and Now*" mural.

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 August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Thirteen.



Ed Kelley
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Mayor