

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Glenn and Connie Ritchey Community Service Award recognizes local business leaders for their vast wisdom and commitment to the community; and

WHEREAS, this year's award goes to L. Gale Lemerand, a successful businessman and entrepreneur, who has given back to his community through community service and financial donations, such as the University of Florida, Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona State College, and Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, including his alma mater, Escanaba High School in Michigan. He built and sold the largest insulation company in the nation and currently owns the majority interest in 29 area restaurants; and

WHEREAS, Lemerand has served on numerous local community boards, including SunTrust Banks, WDSC PBS 15, and the Ormond Beach Memorial Hospital, and he supports local groups and charities, such as Boy Scouts of America, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, March of Dimes, Council on Aging, and the United Way; and

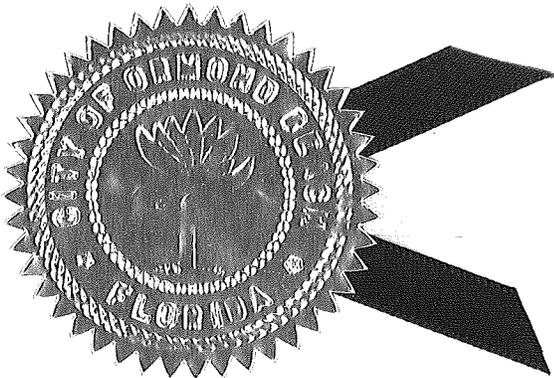
WHEREAS, recently, Lemerand pledged to match up to \$100,000 to help the Council on Aging after Federal budget cuts impacted local funding. The "*Meals Match Challenge*" successfully raised over \$365,000 in donations from members of the community for the Meals on Wheels program;

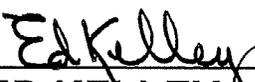
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 16, 2014, as

L. GALE LEMERAND DAY

in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all citizens to recognize L. Gale Lemerand for his lifelong commitment to his community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, to be affixed this 16th day of May in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Fourteen.




ED KELLEY
Mayor