

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Mary "Mae" Elizabeth McRoberts Darling will be 100 years "young" on December 2, 2015. She was born in Bangor, Ireland, and was the middle child and only girl of five children; and

**WHEREAS**, during World War II, Mae worked as a young woman in the family dry cleaning establishment where the troops brought their uniforms to be cleaned. Her future husband, Paul Darling, was one of those servicemen; and

**WHEREAS**, Mae came to the United States in 1945 to visit one of her brothers, who had stayed in touch with Paul Darling, now living in Ohio. She married Paul in 1947 and became a U.S. citizen not long after. They had two children, Mark, who lives in Ohio, and Heather, who lives in Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, Mae and Paul retired and moved to Ormond Beach in 1977, and Mae still lives in the home they bought; and

**WHEREAS**, Mae is celebrating her "surprise" birthday with family and friends at her home in Ormond Beach;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ed Kelley, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, do hereby proclaim December 2, 2015, as

## MAE DARLING DAY

in the City of Ormond Beach and urge all residents to join with me this day in tribute to Mae Darling as she celebrates her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, to be affixed this 28<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Fifteen.



*Ed Kelley*  
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Mayor