

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio has historically played a significant role in developing world wide radio and has continued to provide a bridge between peoples, societies and countries by creating friendships and the sharing of ideas; and

WHEREAS, The City of Ormond Beach, Florida and neighboring communities have a great many Radio Amateurs who continuously demonstrate their value in public assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Radio Amateurs of The City of Ormond Beach and neighboring communities are on alert for tornadoes, floods, hurricane, wildfires and other local emergencies and utilize their communications skills to assist City, County, and State officials; and

WHEREAS, the Radio Amateurs of The City of Ormond Beach and neighboring communities have generously and repeatedly donated their considerable energy, effort, time and equipment to provide communications support to local service clubs and organizations at no charge; and

WHEREAS, the Radio Amateurs of The City of Ormond Beach and neighboring communities offer free technical training to all interested citizens; and

WHEREAS, The City of Ormond Beach recognizes and appreciates the diligence of these "hams" who also serve as weather spotters in the Skywarn program of NOAA's National Weather Service (NWS), part of the U.S. Department of Commerce

WHEREAS, Amateur Radio once again proved its undisputed relevance in the modern world by providing emergency communications when other systems failed in the wake of Hurricanes Irma and Matthew in our own neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the Radio Amateurs of The City of Ormond Beach and neighboring communities continue to hone their communications skills by operating the twenty-four hour simulated emergency known as 'American Radio Relay League Field Day' on June 23rd and 24th, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Partington, Mayor of the City of Ormond Beach, do hereby proclaim June 17th through June 24th, as

CQ FLORIDA AMATEUR RADIO WEEK

in the City of Ormond Beach, in recognition of this important emergency preparedness exercise we call upon all citizens to pay tribute to all the Amateur Radio operators of The City of Ormond Beach and neighboring communities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Ormond Beach, to be affixed this 5th day of June in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eighteen.



BILL PARTINGTON

Mayor