



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Kiwanis International is one of the largest service organizations in the world, with more than 430,000 members of all ages and abilities in more than 80 nations and geographic areas; and

WHEREAS, the first Kiwanis club started its service in Detroit, Michigan, U.S., in 1915. In April 7, 1924, the Kiwanis Club of Ocala was established by a local group of civic leaders to serve the citizens of our community with a special focus on children; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Kiwanis Club of Ocala are devoted to improving the world one child and one community at a time, by seeking to give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than the material values of life; and

WHEREAS, in addition to improving the lives of children in Marion County and in communities around the world, Kiwanis club members promote the development of community leaders, positive role models, intercultural understanding and cooperation, and opportunities for fellowship, personal growth, professional development and community service; and

WHEREAS, the service provided by the Kiwanis Club of Ocala will continue to have a positive impact on our community and citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ben Marciano, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Ocala, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 7, 2024, as:

THE KIWANIS CLUB OF OCALA 100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

in the City of Ocala and urge all citizens to render support to the members of this organization and to make themselves aware of Kiwanis International, whose members this day are providing meaningful service to our homes, schools, and community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Ocala, Florida, to be affixed this 1st day of April 2024.

Ben Marciano

Ben Marciano, Mayor
City of Ocala

