

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Miss Florida competition is the pageant that selects the representative for the state of Florida in the Miss America pageant; and

WHEREAS, Miss Florida 2024 Casana Fink was born and raised in Ocala, Florida. She graduated from Forest High School. In 2019 Casana graduated from the University of Florida (UF) and was conferred with a bachelor's degree in telecommunications. She is currently pursuing her master's degree in business administration, also at UF; and

WHEREAS, Casana started competing in pageants when she was 13 years old. At the age of 14, Casana won the title of Miss Lake City and on June 29, 2024, she won the title and the crown of Miss Florida 2024 at the competition in Lakeland, Florida. She loves to dance, especially lyrical dance, a style that embodies the technique with the freedom and musicality of various aspects of ballet, jazz, acrobatics, and modern dance. Casana started taking dance lessons at the age of three and continued until her 18th birthday; and

WHEREAS, for the past ten years, Casana has been a strong advocate for the organ tissue donation program which saves thousands of lives each year and is presently the chief operating officer for the "More Transplants More Life" organization in Tampa, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Casana has stated: "I am strong in my faith and lean on that very heavily. I have peace in the preparation and the outcome. I trust in God's timing and knowing you are right where you are supposed to be."

NOW, THEREFORE, **I, Ben Marciano**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Ocala, Florida, do hereby proclaim August 20, 2024, as:

Casana Fink Day

in the City of Ocala and I urge all citizens join me in honoring Miss Florida 2024 Casana Fink for her many accomplishments and her gracious and winning representation of our State and to wish her great success in her future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Ocala, Florida, to be affixed this 20th day of August 2024.



Ben Marciano, Mayor City of Ocala