

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated was founded on January 16, 1920 at Howard University in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, its founders were Arizona Cleaver Stemons, Pearl Anna Neal, Myrtle Tyler Faithful, Viola Tyler Goings, and Fannie Pettie Watts, and these five women founded a sorority built on the principles of Scholarship, Sisterhood, Service, and Finer Womanhood; and

WHEREAS, since 1920, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated has grown to over 125,000 active members globally, and is known for its national work including its Stork's Nest Program in partnership with the March of Dimes, Prematurity Awareness, Adopt- a- School Program, Partnership with the American Cancer Society, Elder Care Initiatives, and Veterans Assistance; and

WHEREAS, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated is a community-conscious, action-oriented organization that participates in its national partnership initiatives while also serving our local community, through its local graduate chapter, Mu Alpha Zeta, by feeding the homeless, providing scholarships to students in Marion County, adopting the Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist School, and participating in elder care initiatives at local nursing homes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kent Guinn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Ocala, Florida, do hereby proclaim January 16, 2020, as

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated Day

in Ocala and I urge all citizens to join me in paying tribute to the widespread contributions that Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated and its members, have made to our society.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Ocala, Florida, to be affixed this 7th day of January 2020.

Kent Guinn, Mayor City of Ocala