



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Karen Cobbs and her husband Shannon, who breed and raise black Clydesdales on their 26-acre farm in Ocala, decided that since there were no major draft horse shows in Florida, they would create the Grandview Invitational with the goal of the show becoming a major annual event in Ocala so everyone can come out to enjoy Clydesdales; and

WHEREAS, their very first Draft Horse Show will be held in Ocala, the Horse Capital of the World, on February 1-3, 2019 in the Florida Horse Park at 14000 County Highway 475A; and

WHEREAS, this equine venture is one of the most crowd-pleasing horse events on the planet and the whole competition is done to hand-picked music for each class; and

WHEREAS, one can only imagine the organized chaos that gets executed perfectly with the possibility of 168 one-ton horses in a ring at the same time, along with 21 world class hitch wagons, being maneuvered by some of the best drivers in the industry; and

WHEREAS, there will be up to 32 of these one-ton draft horses working together at a full trot within the show ring all together and the 6 and 8 horse hitches which demand the attention of spectators, not only in their power but with their majestic elegance and

WHEREAS, the atmosphere within the show ring of this elite all breed draft horse hitch show is incredible, the intensity of auditory sensation and energy produced by this amount of horse power is chilling and the thunderous sound of 672 pounding draft horse hooves can only be described as pure horse power; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Kent Guinn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Ocala, Florida, do hereby welcome the Grandview Invitational to Ocala and I encourage everyone to attend the event during February 1 – 3, 2019 and see these enormous athletic horses perform!

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Ocala, Florida, to be affixed this 30th day of January 2019.



Kent Guinn, Mayor
City of Ocala