



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Year 2011 marked the Sesquicentennial of the civil conflict that tore the nation in two; and

WHEREAS, the month of April is the time during which the Confederate States of America initiated and ended its four-year struggle for a sovereign and independent nation; and

WHEREAS, in proportion to its population, the State of Florida lent more soldiers, sailors, and livestock to the Confederate Cause than did any other Southern state; and

WHEREAS, April 26 has been designated by the laws of Florida as a legal holiday, Confederate Memorial Day, a time in which to honor the memories of those who sacrificed their lives in the War Between the States; and

WHEREAS, as we recall the tragic events that took place between the years of 1861 and 1865, we do so in an attempt to gain a better understanding of the conflicting ideals and passions that pitted brother against brother and tore a nation apart.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Kent Guinn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Ocala, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2019 be known as

“CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL DAY”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Ocala, Florida, to be affixed this 19th day of March 2019.



Kent Guinn, Mayor
City of Ocala