

WHEREAS, the City of Orlando is home to the Orlando Solar Bears, a professional ECHL ice hockey team;

WHEREAS, the Orlando Solar Bears strive to be good stewards in the community, raising and donating over \$900,000 to more than 400 different non-profit Central Florida groups and making more than 200 player and mascot visits to schools, hospitals and community groups since November 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Solar Bears are committed to bringing quality sports and entertainment to the Central Florida community and have drawn more than 500,000 fans to Downtown Orlando and have annually created more than 150 full time equivalent jobs;

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 the Amway Center will host the CCM/ECHL All-Star Classic, along with a week-long schedule of special events;

WHEREAS, the All-Star Classic will increase exposure for our Downtown destination and generate significant dollars for the local economy;

WHEREAS, the Solar Bears are invaluable for the development of Downtown Orlando and a great source of pride for the team and fans because of their continuation to bring excitement to the area and positively impact our destination;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Buddy Dyer, Mayor of the City of Orlando, hereby do proclaim Wednesday, January 21, 2015 as

“CCM/ECHL All-Star Classic Day”

In the City of Orlando, and encourage all to wear orange to support the Orlando Solar Bears.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Orlando to be affixed this 8th day of December, 2014.