

**WHEREAS,** *Mr. Eduardo Vasconcellos and his wife Maria Jose Vasconcellos have been trailblazers in the travel industry since opening their business, Kontik Franstur, in 1955; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Mr. and Mrs. Vasconcellos, along with sons, Eduardo Vasconcellos Neto and Fernando Vasconcellos, expanded their family-owned travel business in Brazil from a handful of employees to more than 500 employees, with offices in Rio de Janeiro, Recife, Salvador and Sao Paulo; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Mr. Eduardo Vasconcellos realized Orlando's potential as a premier travel destination and began bringing South American tourists to Disney World, SeaWorld and Universal Studios when these attractions opened, and Kontik introduced Orlando as a world-class travel destination to South American tourists; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Mr. Eduardo Vasconcellos has been crowned the market leader in group travel bringing more than 5,000 teenagers annually to Orlando, and the visitors spend more \$6 million annually on hotels, restaurants, transportation and at theme parks; and*

**WHEREAS,** *Mr. Eduardo Vasconcellos has created extraordinary travel packages exciting visitors to shop in Orlando and spend an additional \$8 million annually, thus creating jobs and businesses in Orlando, and also leading the increase in the number of Brazilian tourists vacationing in Orlando to almost 1 million in 2014; and*

**NOW, THEREFORE, WE,** *Mayor Buddy Dyer and Samuel B. Ings, District 6 City Commissioner, hereby do proclaim June 15, 2015 as*

***“Eduardo Vasconcellos and Kontik Franstur Day”***

*in the City of Orlando, and extend our congratulations to Mr. Vasconcellos, his wife, family, friends and the entire staff of Kontik Franstur on 60 years of business.*

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** *I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Orlando to be affixed this 15th day of June 2015.*



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*Buddy Dyer, Mayor*



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*Commissioner Samuel B. Ings, District 6*