

WHEREAS, *the Orlando International Fringe Theatre Festival, a non-profit arts organization established in 1992, is celebrating its 25th year of serving the Orlando community; and*

WHEREAS, *Orlando is honored to be the host city for the longest running, most popular and best Fringe Theatre Festival in the United States of America; and*

WHEREAS, *the Orlando International Fringe Theatre Festival, which gives 100 percent of all box office revenues back to the artists, is dedicated to bringing the Central Florida community 100 percent non-juried, uncensored, accessible theatre, art, music and dance from all over the world; and*

WHEREAS, *the Orlando International Fringe Theatre Festival is a vital part of Orlando's rich cultural landscape and artistic growth; and*

WHEREAS, *the Orlando International Fringe Theatre Festival has expanded to feature Kids Fringe, Fringe Teens, Free Outdoor Programming and Visual Fringe, all of which add to the diversity of offerings; and*

WHEREAS, *the Orlando International Fringe Theatre Festival is one of the most unique and inclusive cultural experiences in Central Florida, which draws tens of thousands of residents and visitors to the Central Florida region to experience more than 800 theatrical performances, including 28 international acts, held over a 13-day period, and is a cultural tradition in the City of Orlando;*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BUDDY DYER, Mayor of the City of Orlando, hereby do proclaim
May 18-30, 2016 as

“Fringe Week”

in the City of Orlando.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Orlando to be affixed this 18th day of May 2016.*