

Proclamation

CITY OF ORLANDO - OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

- WHEREAS,** the City of Orlando Hispanic Office for Local Assistance started as a pilot program in 2004 in partnership with a local community organization; and
- WHEREAS,** on April 3, 2006, the City of Orlando officially opened HOLA at the Engelwood Neighborhood Center and it was later moved to its current location at 595 North Primrose Drive; and
- WHEREAS,** the mission of HOLA is “to connect the residents, families, businesses and newcomers to the City of Orlando with its city, government agencies, community-based organizations and professional entities with information, resources and tools necessary to strengthen the quality of life of its residents;” and
- WHEREAS,** with the collaboration of approximately 100 community organizations, including some with in-house services, HOLA has expanded its services to meet the needs of the city’s growing Hispanic population; and
- WHEREAS,** more than 175,000 citizens have been served through visits, calls and e-mails over the past 15 years; and following Hurricane Maria, HOLA welcomed and assisted more than 6,000 people in the first six months after the storm; and
- WHEREAS,** HOLA has assisted and will continue to assist residents and the thousands of newcomers from around the world who come to Orlando to pursue a better quality of life;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, Buddy Dyer, Mayor of the City of Orlando; Jim Gray, District 1 City Commissioner; Tony Ortiz, District 2 City Commissioner; Robert F. Stuart, District 3 City Commissioner; Patty Sheehan, District 4 City Commissioner; Regina I. Hill, District 5 City Commissioner; and Samuel B. Ings, District 6 City Commissioner; hereby do proclaim April 2019 as

“Hispanic Office for Local Assistance Month”

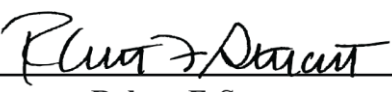
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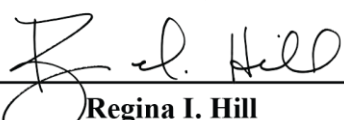

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