

# PROCLAMATION

## “FLORIDA GOPHER TORTOISE DAY”

WHEREAS; Gopher Tortoise Day will be observed annually in the City of Dade City April 10; and

WHEREAS; The Gopher Tortoise has been living on the earth for 500,000 to 2 million years; and

WHEREAS; The Gopher Tortoise today, in the State of Florida, is listed as Threatened, and in parts of the U.S., is Federally listed as Threatened, and

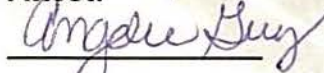
WHEREAS; The Gopher Tortoise is considered a keystone species, and

WHEREAS; The Gopher Tortoise and other species in our area help to sustain the area's ecology and provide man with a source of joy and appreciation for nature.

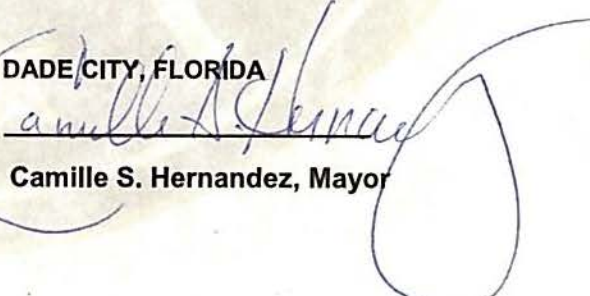
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Camille S. Hernandez, Mayor hereby designates the 10th of April as GOPHER TORTOISE DAY throughout the City of Dade City, and encourage all residents of Pasco to learn more about this species by doing and learning more about them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Dade City, Florida to be affixed, April 09, 2019.

Attest:

  
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Angelia Guy, City Clerk

DADE CITY, FLORIDA

  
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Camille S. Hernandez, Mayor