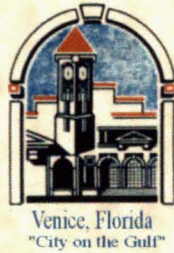


Office of the Mayor



Proclamation

Whereas, in 1925, Dr. Fred H. Albee, a well-known orthopedic surgeon, purchased 2,916 acres of land from the Venice-Sarasota Company, and retained John Nolen, a world-renowned city planner, to design a city on his land that would become Venice; and

Whereas, the Venice Train Depot was completed in 1927 at the height of Venice's early development, which opened on March 27, 1927 and was heralded as the finest station on the Seaboard Air Line Railway, being the last structure built before the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers closed operations in Venice in 1928.

Whereas, on May 9, 1927 the State Legislature changed the designation of Venice from "town" to "city" by amending the enabling legislation and the Venice Charter; and

Whereas, in 1982 a Historical Committee was formed to preserve Venice's heritage, which is now called the Historic Preservation Board; and

Whereas, the Triangle Inn is a restored and renovated historic 1927 building that now houses the Venice Museum & Archives, with a mission to collect and preserve historical and archaeological material relating to Venice and the communities of Nokomis, Laurel, and Osprey; and

Whereas, the City is celebrating its incorporation with historic tours by Venice Florida Tours and KMI graduate Skip Bailey; a Venice Nokomis Woman's Club poster contest; a May 9 community event at the historic Lord-Higel House, the second oldest house in Sarasota County currently being refurbished by Venice Heritage Inc.; a roaring '20s fundraising party at The Summit at Venice on June 10; and acknowledgment of the anniversary at Venice Mainstreet's Beach Party in September and the Women's Sertoma Sun Fiesta in October.

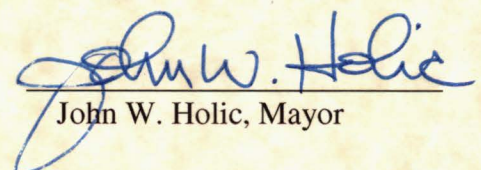
Now, Therefore, I, John W. Holic, Mayor of the City of Venice, Florida, on behalf of the Venice City Council and the Citizens of our community, do hereby take great pride in recognizing the

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and encourage all residents to participate in the year-long events and give great thanks to those individuals who have contributed to Venice's history and all of the citizens that comprise this wonderful community.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Venice to be affixed this 9th day of May, 2017.


John W. Holic, Mayor