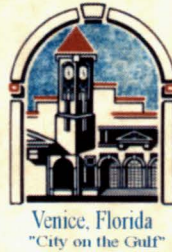


Office of the Mayor



Proclamation

Whereas, a geographic information system (GIS) integrates hardware, software, and data for capturing, managing, analyzing, and displaying all forms of geographically referenced information; and

Whereas, GIS is an important part of geography awareness by allowing citizens to view, understand, question, interpret, and visualize data in many ways that reveal relationships, patterns, and trends in the form of maps, globes, reports, and charts; and

Whereas, the management, use, and exchange of geographic information are essential for effective decision-making; and

Whereas, there have been widespread and rapid technological advances in hardware, software, mapping, and communications related to GIS Technology; and

Whereas, there is a need to promote GIS awareness, education, and technical training among various departments to appropriately and effectively utilize this rapidly developing technology; and

Whereas, the City of Venice GIS specialists coordinate efforts to eliminate duplication, reduce costs, develop standards, and to facilitate the sharing and interchange of GIS data, methods, and knowledge; and

Whereas, November 15 is recognized worldwide as GIS day, the annual salute to geospatial technology and its power to transform and better our lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John W. Holic, Mayor of the City of Venice, Florida, on behalf of the city council and the citizens of our community do hereby proclaim November 15, 2017 as

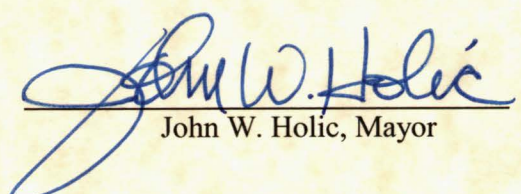
Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Day

And the week of November 12 through 18, 2017 as

Geography Awareness Week

in the City of Venice and encourage all citizens to join this council in expressing appreciation for the dedication and outstanding service provided by the individuals who serve as the city's GIS specialists.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Venice to be affixed this 14th day of November, 2017.


John W. Holic, Mayor

