

**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Escambia County has established an "Employee of the Month Program" to recognize one employee to represent the various departments; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth E. Mudge, a Maintenance Technician in the Maintenance Division of the Facilities Management Department, began his employment with the County on August 30, 2011, and is selected for "Employee of the Month" for August 2013, for the standards of excellence that he has displayed in the performance of his duties; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Mudge is assigned to the Facilities Management Department's Blount Street Maintenance Shop. He is responsible for the maintenance and repair of the Public Safety Department's complex of buildings, the Marie K. Young Community Center, the "W" Street Tag Office, the Hood Drive Sheriff's Sub-Station, and the Brent and the Ensley Volunteer Fire Departments; and

**WHEREAS**, as a Maintenance Technician, Mr. Mudge's main duties and responsibilities include making all types of building repairs to walls, floors, and ceilings; conducting preventative maintenance of heating, ventilation, and air conditioning equipment; and responding to emergency service calls; and

**WHEREAS**, when faced with the daunting challenge of implementing the Lucity Computerized Maintenance Management System, Mr. Mudge's ability to quickly grasp the key essentials was one of the keys to the program's success. He was able to help his fellow employees navigate their way through the cumbersome operating program; his efforts directly improved the Facilities Management Department's ability to input, update, and track work orders; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Mudge was nominated and selected by his fellow employees as the Facilities Management Department's Employee of the Month for June 2013, with the theme "Performance Versatility," for his powerful work ethic to never quit or settle for mediocrity in customer service; and

**WHEREAS**, in the short time Mr. Mudge has been assigned to his buildings, he has earned the respect of the occupants by listening to their concerns and by taking corrective action to meet or exceed their expectations. Mr. Mudge consistently maintains a positive and professional attitude and is without a doubt an invaluable asset to the Facilities Management Department, a model public employee, and a beloved coworker.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida, commends and congratulates Mr. Kenneth E. Mudge on his selection as the "Employee of the Month" for August 2013.

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**ATTEST: Pam Childers  
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*Deputy Clerk*

**Adopted: August 8, 2013**

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**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Escambia County have a distinguished place in the history of the Armed Forces – from the establishment of the first settlement in 1559 by Don Tristan de Luna to the present day designation as the “Cradle of Naval Aviation”; and

**WHEREAS**, the brave men and women who serve in the military forces make major contributions toward the preservation of freedom and world peace, perform their duties with determination and courage, in peace and in war, and put their lives on the line to protect and serve their country; and

**WHEREAS**, six area yacht clubs have joined together to provide the second Wounded American Veterans Event (W.A.V.E.) 2013 “A Day on the Bay” for wounded American veterans on August 10, 2013, with a rain date of August 11, 2013, at Plaza de Luna Park; and

**WHEREAS**, W.A.V.E. 2013 “A Day on the Bay” will enable the citizens of Escambia County an opportunity to thank, honor, and pay a special tribute to the wounded American veterans who sacrificed so much and stood up to serve their country.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County commemorates W.A.V.E. 2013 “A Day on the Bay” in Escambia County and urges the citizens of Escambia County to join with members of the Pensacola Yacht Club, the Navy Yacht Club, the Pensacola Beach Yacht Club, the Point Yacht Club, the Ft. Walton Yacht Club, and the Eglin Yacht Club to support this effort to express this community’s patriotism and to salute with pride and gratitude the brave men and women who have sacrificed so much for our country.

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**WHEREAS**, in 1932, a small group of devoted members came together for Sunday School and Worship Service at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church. Reverend G.W. Trawick was confirmed the first pastor and served diligently for over 20 years; and

**WHEREAS**, during the 80-year tenure of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, the pastoral leadership has included Reverend G.W. Trawick, Reverend David Savage, Reverend Loftin, Reverend Simmons, Reverend English, Reverend Theophalis May, and the current pastor, Reverend LuTimothy May, Sr.; and

**WHEREAS**, the late Reverend Theophalis May served as pastor for 38 years, from May 1969 to August 2006. In addition to contributing greatly toward the history of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, it was by the work of Reverend Theophalis May's hands, the sweat of his brow, and with the help of God and the community, that the church edifice was built at 1213 West Blount Street; and

**WHEREAS**, after the passing of Reverend Theophalis May, the Officers and membership of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church installed Reverend LuTimothy May, Sr., as pastor on August 20, 2006; and

**WHEREAS**, with an extraordinary anointing for ministry and with greatness in his veins, Reverend LuTimothy May, Sr., is a third-generation pastor. He is the son of the late, great Reverend Theophalis May and First Lady Emeritus Mary J. May and the grandson of the founder, the late, great Reverend G.W. Trawick and late First Lady Rebie Trawick; and

**WHEREAS**, the church family of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church continues to proclaim the Holy Scripture and the Gospel of Jesus Christ faithfully without compromise and thanks God for all His goodness as the church presses toward the mark of the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 19, 2013, the Church Officials negotiated the purchase of the new church, located at 2601 West Strong Street, Pensacola, Florida, and on August 4, 2013, services will begin at the new address.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida, joins the congregation of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church in celebration of its 80th anniversary, congratulates Friendship Missionary Baptist Church on the occasion of the first service at the new church location, and wishes Reverend LuTimothy May, Sr., and the congregation continued growth, grace, and favor as they continue to serve in our community.

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**PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Ralf Larry "Moose" Morris was born June 22, 1951, in Pensacola, Florida. In June of 1972, he married Ms. Lynn Stewart and together they have three children - Brandon, Catherine, and Abigail; and

**WHEREAS**, Larry graduated from Pensacola High School in 1969, continued his education at the University of Florida from 1969 to 1973, and attended Cumberland School of Law from 1974 to 1977; and

**WHEREAS**, "Moose" was an offensive lineman for the University of Florida Gators football team from 1970 to 1972. He served one season as an Assistant Coach on Doug Dickey's staff before starting his legal career at the Cumberland School of Law; and

**WHEREAS**, for the last 25 years, Larry has been a shareholder in the Levin, Papantonio, Thomas, Mitchell, Rafferty & Proctor, P.A. Law Firm and has been both a dynamic litigator and an artful negotiator, having negotiated some of the largest mass tort settlements in United States history; and

**WHEREAS**, "Moose" has served as president and as a member on the board of several Pensacola Charities, held many leadership positions in his local Methodist church, and taught youth and adult Sunday School classes for years; and

**WHEREAS**, Larry has been a Bull Gator for over 10 years, a member of the Gator Boosters Board of Directors for two terms, a five-year member of the F Club Board, and the former President of the Northwest Florida Gator Club; and

**WHEREAS**, "Moose" has repeatedly proven what a true friend he is to all who know him. In 2009, he helped a friend in need by making all arrangements, plus paying expenses from his own pocket, to help his friend get needed medical treatment. While nominating Larry to the Hall of Fame Committee, this friend offered this example of Larry's kindness to others with the saying: "In all kinds of weather, we all stick together." With this, he is now a "Distinguished Letter" winner.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida, on this 1st day of August, 2013, extends gratitude to Mr. Ralf Larry "Moose" Morris for all of his many kindnesses and dedication to his friends and his community, and congratulates him for being inducted into the University of Florida Hall of Fame as a "Distinguished Letter" winner. Congratulations!

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Dated: August 1, 2013