



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, for over the past 60 years the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council has served our citizens and member governments by providing a forum to foster communication, coordination and collaboration in identifying and addressing issues and needs regionally; and

WHEREAS, the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council was the first Regional Planning Council in the State of Florida and is recognized as Florida's only multi-purpose regional entity that is in a position to plan for, and coordinate, intergovernmental solutions to regional growth-related challenges and provide technical assistance to local governments in meeting the needs of the communities in each region; and

WHEREAS, the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council represents 99% of the population of a six-county region which includes Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco and Pinellas Counties as well as the following municipalities: Bradenton, Clearwater, Dade City, Dunedin, Gulfport, Largo, Madeira Beach, New port Richey, Oldsmar, Palmetto, Pinellas Park, Plant City, Safety Harbor, St. Peterburg, St. Pete Beach, Seminole, South Pasadena, Tampa, Tarpon Spring, Temple Terrace and Treasure Island; and

WHEREAS, these governments are represented on the Council by elected officials appointed by their local governments who comprise two-thirds of the Council's membership and the the Governor appoints additional members, making up the remaining third of the Council, with three ex-officio members, representing the Florida Department of Transportation, the Environmental Protection Agency, and Southwest Florida Water Management District; and


WHEREAS, the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council is recognized both statewide and nationally as a leader in regional and resiliency planning and follows "The Strategic Regional Policy Plan" which is a guiding document providing regional goals and policies for the five subject areas required by *Florida Statutes* which includes: Economic Development, Emergency Preparedness, Natural Resources, Regional Transportation and Affordable Housing.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Leslie Waters, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Seminole, Florida and on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby recognize the 60th Anniversary of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council and its significant and excellent contributions for six decades to the quality of life for the citizens of the Tampa Bay Region, and do hereby celebrate the

60th Anniversary of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (1962-2022)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Seminole, Florida to be affixed this 22nd day of March, 2022.




Leslie Waters, Mayor