



# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Councilor Jim Quinn was born in the Bronx, New York, and attended Catholic Schools in New York; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilor Quinn served honorably in the United States Navy where he was stationed on the Enewetak Atoll during the testing of numerous atomic weapons. He is an "Atomic Veteran" and is one of very few remaining veterans with that distinction; and

**WHEREAS**, while serving in the United States Navy he married the love of his life Clara whom he throughout their marriage referred to her as "Cookie"; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilor Quinn and his wife Cookie after having their four Children: Jimmy, Jimaine, Robin, and Robert, moved to Connecticut to raise their children; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilor Quinn has one grandchild Jimaine and two great grandchildren Teddy and Clara; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilor Quinn was employed by the Town of Enfield, Connecticut for over 15 years, retiring as its Public Works Superintendent; and

**WHEREAS**, after retirement, Councilor Quinn and his wife moved to Seminole, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilor Quinn was first elected to the Seminole City Council in 2010, serving on the Council for a total of twelve years, and two of those years serving as Vice Mayor; and

**WHEREAS**, After the passing of his first wife, Council Quinn married his second wife Jean who together attended many City events; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilor Quinn served on many Community and Civic Boards including the City of Seminole Development Review Board, the Sheriff's Citizen's Advisory Board, the Suncoast League of Cities Board, the Interfaith Food Pantry Board, the Seminole Garden Apartments Building 22 President and Board Member, President and Board Member of the Seminole Garden Men's Club, the Dogwood Circle Gardens Domicurculums HOA Board, and was a long-time member of the Florida League of Cities Utilities, Natural Resources, and Public Works Legislative Policy Committee.; and

**WHEREAS**, Councilor Quinn was recognized by the Florida League of Cities as a Home Rule Hero for his legislative advocacy to promote local voices making local choices, protecting the home rule powers of Florida Municipalities and advancing a legislative agenda on behalf of the citizens of Seminole and the State of Florida; and

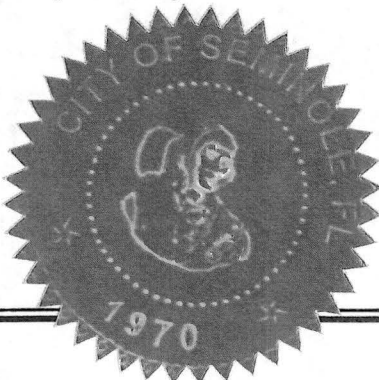
**WHEREAS**, Councilor Quinn's passion for the City of Seminole, which he often refers to as Camelot, would shine through at each Council Meeting and City Event; and


**WHEREAS**, Councilor Quinn is greatly loved by a thankful Council, Staff and Community; and

**THEREFORE**, I, Leslie Waters, Mayor of the City of Seminole, Florida do hereby proclaim February 24, 2026, as:

***"Jim Quinn Day"***

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Seminole, Florida to be affixed this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 2026.



  
Leslie Waters, Mayor