RESOLUTION R13-165

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE REESTABLISHMENT OF A "HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY DAY" EVENT IN THE STATE CAPITOL DURING THE 2014 FLORIDA LEGISLATIVE SESSION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Upon motion of Commissioner Murman, seconded by Commissioner Beckner
the following Resolution was adopted on the 16th day of 0ctober, 2013, by a vote of 6
to <u>0</u> , Commissioner(s) voting "No".
WHEREAS, Hillsborough County was organized as a county in 1834 and is now
comprised of some 1,050 square miles with a current population exceeding 1,200,000 people, and
WHEREAS, the county is home to three municipalities, including Plant City, chartered in 1885, Tampa, chartered in 1887, and Temple Terrace, chartered in 1925, and
WHEREAS, Hillsborough County is a multicultural, diverse community, a microcosm of
the State of Florida with a breadth of available lifestyles, including a strong, urban core, smaller
Main Street municipalities, a flourishing suburbia, community-living for the active elderly, and
sufficient rural areas for those who choose more pastoral or agrarian lifestyles, and
WHEREAS, Hillsborough County has a wealth of cultural facilities and programs,
including Lowry Park Zoo, the Florida Aquarium, the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center, and

WHEREAS, Hillsborough County, one of the leading business locations in the world, with a dynamic and positive business climate, is the economic hub of the western gateway to the Florida High Tech Corridor, an economic development initiative that includes a mega region of 23 counties reaching eastward across the state to the Atlantic Ocean, and

WHEREAS, Hillsborough County hosts Tampa International Airport, a leading global airport, and the Port of Tampa, Florida's largest cargo port, while also serving as the nexus of the region's Interstate Highway System, and

WHEREAS, an organized event celebrating the numerous contributions of Hillsborough County to the region and state was last held in 2007 due to the economic downturn, and

WHEREAS, the private firm of Louis Betz & Associates, Inc., has volunteered to coordinate and execute "Hillsborough County Day" in Tallahassee during the 2014 state legislative session to help promote Hillsborough County, the municipalities within, and bring awareness to the issues of importance to our community, and

WHEREAS, Louis Betz & Associates, Inc., will raise all necessary funds for "Hillsborough County Day," in cooperation with Visit Tampa Bay.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners endorses the reestablishment of an organized "Hillsborough County Day" at the state capitol during the 2014 state legislative session.

Section 2. This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage.

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH)

I, PAT FRANK, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Board in its regular meeting of 10/16/13 the same appears of record in Minute Book 449 of the Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida.

Witness my hand and official seal this 17th day of October , 2013.

PAT FRANK CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

BY: Beverly anne Meller
Deputy Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

General Counsel