

# PROCLAMATION

## City of Palmetto

WHEREAS, "The Star-Spangled Banner", our National Anthem, was written during the War of 1812; and

WHEREAS, *By the dawn's early light* on September 14, 1814, Francis Scott Key saw the American flag flying over Fort McHenry, signifying an American victory, and was inspired to write the words of "The Star-Spangled Banner"; and

WHEREAS, "The Star-Spangled Banner" became our National Anthem on March 3, 1931 when President Herbert Hoover signed Public Law 823; and

WHEREAS, millions of Americans cherish and respect the words and music of "The Star-Spangled Banner"; and

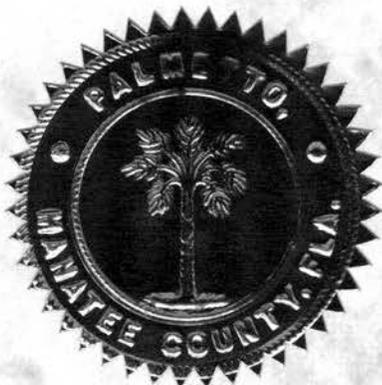
WHEREAS, sporting and public events begin with the singing or playing of the National Anthem as a reaffirmation of patriotism and love of country; and

WHEREAS, The National Society United States Daughters of Eighteen Hundred and Twelve and the Captain Ezra Jones Dutch Chapter calls for a day to observe the historical significance of the "The Star-Spangled Banner" and to celebrate the words that Francis Scott Key penned in 1814:

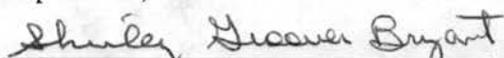
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Shirley Groover Bryant, Mayor of the City of Palmetto, Florida, do hereby proclaim September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as

## STAR-SPANGLED BANNER DAY

in the City of Palmetto, Florida, and urge all citizens to recognize and celebrate the anniversary of the birth of our country's National Anthem.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Palmetto, Florida, to be affixed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016.

  
Shirley Groover Bryant, Mayor