

*WHEREAS,* Chief R. Sean Baldwin began his career as a police officer with the Fort Pierce Police Department on February 26, 1990; and,

*WHEREAS,* Early in his career, Chief Baldwin served as a patrol officer, detective, and community policing officer with specialized assignments as the department's public information officer, bike patrol officer, use of force instructor, ethics instructor, K9 manager, and field training manager and,

*WHEREAS,* Chief Baldwin rose through the ranks earning promotions to the rank of Sergeant on March 17, 1996; Lieutenant on September 28, 1998; Commander on January 22, 2001; Assistant Chief of Police on November 5, 2001; and Chief of Police on August 9, 2006; and,

*WHEREAS,* Chief Baldwin has amassed more than 4,000 hours of advanced law enforcement training and received several high honors and commendations, including:

- Numerous departmental awards, including Officer of the Quarter, Detective of the Quarter, and Manager of the Year
- Graduation from FBI National Academy in 2002
- Graduation Southern Police Institute in 2005, earning the Director's Award for Academic Excellence.
- Masters Degree in Criminal Justice Administration in 2005; and,

*WHEREAS,* Under Chief Baldwin's leadership, the police department has achieved outstanding success, including:

- Reducing crime rates within the City to the lowest point in more than 35 years, and cutting violent crime by two-thirds in the City's most distressed neighborhoods
- Earning the Roy F. Kenzie Best Management Program and Creative Partnership Award from the Florida Redevelopment Association
- Achievement of professional accreditation through the Florida Commission on Law Enforcement Accreditation; and

*WHEREAS,* Chief Baldwin is an active community leader with a strong history of achievement in developing collaborative partnerships, fostering professional relationships, and managing community crises; and,

*WHEREAS,* Chief Baldwin served the citizens of Fort Pierce for 25 years with honor and selfless commitment toward Protecting Our Community making Fort Pierce a safer place for our citizens; and,

*WHEREAS,* Chief Baldwin has chosen to retire on February 26, 2015.

*NOW, THEREFORE,* I, Linda Hudson, Mayor of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, acting on behalf of and with the full support of the City Commission of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida do hereby issue this proclamation in honor of

## *CHIEF OF POLICE R. SEAN BALDWIN*

in appreciation and recognition for his honorable and loyal service to the City of Fort Pierce.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to be affixed this 20th day of October, 2014.

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MAYOR COMMISSIONER