

**WHEREAS,** Hosely Gibson has been a resident of Fort Pierce, Florida since 1944. He is a 1956 graduate of Lincoln Park Academy and attended Lincoln Junior College 1964 - 1965; and

**WHEREAS,** Hosely was an entrepreneur, who has dedicated his life to the betterment of the Avenue D corridor and his community from 1954-2016; and

**WHEREAS,** Hosely owned several successful businesses over a sixty-two year period. While serving as a police officer for the Fort Pierce Police Department, Hosely was instrumental in the initiation of several sporting programs for the then segregated youth in Lincoln Park; and

**WHEREAS,** A group of the young men, who he mentored in the 1960s, '70s, and '80s, have joined together to thank him for his service to them, the memories provided and for providing a safe haven for young adult enjoyment; and

**WHEREAS,** Hosely is married to Jessie Phillips Gibson, has five children (one deceased), seven grandchildren, and many great- and great-great-grandchildren; and

**WHEREAS,** Hosely fully retired in 2016.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Linda Hudson, Mayor of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, do hereby issue this proclamation in honor of:

## ***HOSELY GIBSON***

for his contribution and dedication to the business community and young people of 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 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2017.

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**MAYOR/COMMISSIONER**