

**WHEREAS,** Medicare’s first proven coordinated care model, hospice is a program that works offering person-centered, compassionate care, ensuring people dignity, choice, and quality of life; and

**WHEREAS,** the hospice model involves an interdisciplinary, team-oriented approach to treatment, including expert medical care, quality symptom control, and comprehensive pain management as a foundation of care; and

**WHEREAS,** beyond providing physical treatment, hospice attends to the patient’s emotional, spiritual, and family needs, and provides family services like respite care and grief counseling; and

**WHEREAS,** hospice and palliative care organizations are advocates and educators about advance care planning that help individuals make decisions about the care they want; and

**WHEREAS,** Treasure Coast Hospice has cared for our communities since 1982, delivering compassionate, caring, expert and professional Hospice and Grief Support services to patients and families at the end of life.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Linda Hudson, Mayor of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, do hereby proclaim November 2020 as:

### ***Hospice and Palliative Care Month***

in the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, and encourage citizens to increase their understanding and awareness of care at the end of life and to observe this month with appropriate activities and programs.

**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 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

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**MAYOR/COMMISSIONER**