

WHEREAS, change is constant and affects all cities, towns, suburbs, counties, townships, rural areas and other places; and

WHEREAS, community planning and plans can help manage this change in a way that provides better choices for how people live, work and play; and

WHEREAS, community planning provides an opportunity for all residents to be meaningfully involved in making choices that determine the quality of life and future of their community; and

WHEREAS, the full benefits of planning requires public officials and citizens who understand, support, and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation; and

WHEREAS, the month of October is designated as National Community Planning Month throughout the United States of America and its territories; and

WHEREAS, the American Planning Association, its professional institute, the American Institute of Certified Planners, and the Florida Chapter of the American Planning Association endorse National Community Planning Month as an opportunity to highlight the contributions sound planning and plan implementation made to the quality of our settlements and environment; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of National Community Planning Month gives us the opportunity to publicly recognize the participation and dedication of the members of the City of Fort Pierce Planning Board and other citizen volunteers who have contributed their time and expertise to the improvement of the City of Fort Pierce; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the many valuable contributions made by professional community and regional planners of the City of Fort Pierce and St. Lucie County and extend our heartfelt thanks for the continued commitment to public service by these professionals.

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

Community Planning Month

in the City of Fort Pierce, in conjunction with the celebration of National Community Planning Month.

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 19th day of October, 2020.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER