

CITY OF WINTER PARK

# proclamation

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**Pastor John P. Phillips Day | April 30, 2016**

**WHEREAS**, since 1968, John P. Phillips has served as pastor of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church in Winter Park, Florida;

**WHEREAS**, Phillips, the eldest of 11 children born to the late Reverend John Henry and Ida Bell Phillips, was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 39 years, Doris Yvonne Smith Phillips; and


**WHEREAS**, his legacy lives on through his four daughters: Alicia Phillips-Hendry, Tari Phillips, Tonya Staples, and Johnna Griffin, and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, Phillips' life was filled with many recognitions, awards and accomplishments including his service in the United States Navy, graduating from Florida Memorial College in St. Augustine, obtaining his master's degree from Stetson University, and serving as Pastor of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church for 47 years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Steve Leary, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Winter Park, in the state of Florida, do hereby proclaim **Saturday, April 30, 2016**, as "**Pastor John P. Phillips Day**" in the City of Winter Park, Florida, and encourage all citizens to celebrate his contributions to our community, and comfort his family in their time of sorrow.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Winter Park, Florida, to be affixed this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016.

  
**Steve Leary**  
Mayor