

CITY OF WINTER PARK  
**proclamation**

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**Mabel Rosa Lee Clark Woodard Day | October 9, 2016**

**WHEREAS**, Mabel Rosa Lee Clark was born October 9, 1916, on a farm located between the St. John's River and Atlantic Coastline Railroad in Beresford, three miles from Deland, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, Clark was married to John Henry Woodard, who was a minister in the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church and in June 1945; he was then assigned to Saint Paul AME Church in Orlando, and they moved their family to Winter Park; and

**WHEREAS**, she was blessed with nine children - four girls and five boys; her faith in God has helped her through life, and she has been a long time member of Ward Chapel AME Church, in Winter Park; and

**WHEREAS**, Clark has worked in the homes of many Winter Park residents, operated a dress shop on Pennsylvania Avenue and Woodard's Flower Shop in Sanford; worked in receiving and sales at Proctor's and Hattie Frederick's on Park Avenue; served her Russian Tea at fundraisers for the Gardens at DePugh Nursing Center, and worked with the Women's Auxiliary's Annual Charity Ball; and

**WHEREAS**, she was one of the Sage Honorees in the 2012 Exhibit "The Sage Project; Hannibal Elders Tell Their Stories" at the Hannibal Square Heritage Center, a program of Crealdé School of Art.

**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 **Sunday, October 9, 2016**, as "**Mabel Rosa Lee Clark Woodard Day**" in Winter Park, Florida.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Winter Park, Florida, to be affixed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016.

**Steve Leary**  
Mayor