

CITY OF WINTER PARK
proclamation

Ruth Evelyn Lucrecia Sea Perkins Day | March 3, 2017

WHEREAS, Evelyn Perkins was born March 3, 1917 in Palatka, Florida, to Gussie Smith and Alex Sea; and

WHEREAS, she worked as a cook and a seamstress for most of her career; and

WHEREAS, in 1949, Perkins moved to Winter Park, Florida, with her eight children to make a new start; and

WHEREAS, she served at Ward Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church and later joined Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, where she remains a member today; and

WHEREAS, Perkins owned and operated a barbecue café in historic Hannibal Square for several years; and

WHEREAS, she volunteered and helped to raise funds for the very first Community Center in historic Hannibal Square, as well as the westside pool; and

WHEREAS, Perkins was a member of the DePugh Nursing Home auxiliary as well as the Key Chain Club. Both organizations provided civic and social support to the westside community.

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 **Friday, March 3, 2017**, as “**Ruth Evelyn Lucrecia Sea Perkins 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 13th day of February 2017.



Steve Leary
Mayor