

# CITY OF WINTER PARK proclamation

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## Rick Baldwin Day | October 4, 2025

**WHEREAS**, Winter Park native, Rick Baldwin received a hometown education by attending Winter Park Elementary School on Park Avenue and graduating from Winter Park High School in 1965; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick graduated from the University of Central Florida (UCF) then founded the Baldwin Fairchild Funeral Homes and Cemeteries and later the Baldwin Brothers Cremation Services in Winter Park; and

**WHEREAS**, this generous and gifted man is the proud father of Stacy, Ben and Evans and grandfather to Jim, Caroline, Genevieve, Palmer and Hope; and

**WHEREAS**, due to Rick's extensive and practical business knowledge, he served as Board President and continues to serve as a valued advisor to both the Gardens at Depugh Nursing Center, and the Welbourne Nursery and Pre-School; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick has served on dozens of boards throughout our community including Hospice of Central Florida, The Winter Park Council of Churches and Synagogues, and the Cornell Fine Arts Museum; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick currently serves as a Trustee of the Elizabeth Morse Genius Foundation, Trustee & Vice President of the Bach Festival and serves on the Winter Park Historical Association and the UCF College of Business Dean's Advisory Council; and

**WHEREAS**, he serves as an ambassador for the Winter Park Historical Association sharing the stories of our City's history at presentations throughout Central Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, he traversed the historic 500-mile Camino de Santiago in 2009 and 2014 and continues to serve as a volunteer for this pilgrimage network across Spain; and

**WHEREAS**, Rick was inducted into the UCF College of Business Hall of Fame, honored as 2021 'Citizen of the Year' by the Winter Park Chamber of Commerce, and is tonight, the Winter Park History Museum's 2025 Peacock Ball Honoree.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Sheila DeCiccio, 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, October 4, 2025**, to be **Rick Baldwin Day** in the City of Winter Park, Florida, in recognition of Rick Baldwin's dedicated service to our community's history and residents,



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Winter Park, Florida, to be affixed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October 2025.

**Sheila DeCiccio**  
Mayor