

CITY OF WINTER PARK

proclamation

Aspiring Entrepreneurs Day | April 23, 2026

WHEREAS, the Aspiring Entrepreneurs Program connects students with local businesses, business owners and community leaders through hands-on learning experiences and mentorship; and

WHEREAS, this program is made possible through collaboration between local businesses, schools, volunteers and community organizations working together to support youth education, workforce development, and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, programs that encourage entrepreneurship and leadership help prepare the next generation to contribute to the economic vitality and community life of Winter Park; and

WHEREAS, providing students with real-world exposure to local businesses and community leaders helps them better understand career opportunities, business ownership and the importance of community involvement; and

WHEREAS, early exposure to careers and entrepreneurship helps students better understand future career paths and supports long-term workforce development in the community; and

WHEREAS, entrepreneurship education helps students develop confidence, creativity, problem-solving skills, financial literacy, and leadership abilities that are valuable in any career path; and

WHEREAS, entrepreneurship plays an important role in job creation, innovation and the long-term strength of the local economy; and

WHEREAS, the City of Winter Park recognizes that small businesses and entrepreneurship contribute to the economic vitality, character and fabric of the community.

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 **April 23, 2026**, as “**Aspiring Entrepreneurs 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 22nd day of April 2026.

Sheila DeCiccio
Mayor