WHEREAS, city government is the government closest to most citizens and the one with the most direct daily impact upon its residents; and

WHEREAS, municipal government provides services and programs that enhance the quality of life for residents, making their city their home; and

WHEREAS, city government is administered for and by its citizens and is dependent upon public commitment to and understanding of its many responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, city government officials and employees share the responsibility to pass along the understanding of public services and their benefits; and

WHEREAS, Florida City Government Week offers an important opportunity for elected officials and city staff to spread the word to all citizens of Florida that they can shape and influence this branch of government; and

WHEREAS, the Florida League of Cities and its member cities have joined together to teach citizens about municipal government through a variety of activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 21st through October 27th, 2024, as

"Florida City Government Week"

The City of North Port encourages all citizens, city government officials and employees to participate in events that recognize and celebrate Florida City Government Week. The City of North Port encourages educational partnerships between city government and schools, as well as civic groups and other organizations. The City of North Port supports and encourages all Florida city governments to actively promote and sponsor Florida City Government Week.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and Seal of the City of North Port, Florida, to be affixed this 3rd day of October 2024.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

Alice White, Mayor Phil Stokes, Vice-Mayor Barbara Langdon, Commissioner Debbie McDowell, Commissioner Pete Emrich, Commissioner **ATTEST** Heather Faust, City Clerk