

# Proclamation



## “UKRAINIAN HOLODOMOR GENOCIDE OBSERVANCE DAY”

November 24, 2018

**WHEREAS**, Saturday, November 24 marks the eighty-fifth anniversary of the Ukrainian Holodomor Genocide 1932-1933, in which seven million or more innocent men, women and children lost their lives, and;

**WHEREAS**, at the height of the Holodomor in 1932, Ukrainians died at the rate of 28,000 every day, a third of them children, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Holodomor “Murder by Starvation” was specifically designed by the Soviet regime to punish Ukrainians for their resistance to its economic, political and social oppression, and to destroy their aspirations for a free and independent Ukraine, and;

**WHEREAS**, under the global theme “*Ukraine Remembers, the World Acknowledges*”, the City of North Port would like to bring awareness to the Ukrainian Holodomor Genocide, of 1932—1933, as a tragic and heinous crime against humanity, and respect those whose lives were lost, and;

**WHEREAS**, the City of North Port wishes that the Ukrainian Holodomor Genocide be recognized by the global community as a tragic and heinous crime against humanity in order to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, We, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, proudly proclaims November 24, 2018, as Ukrainian Holodomor Genocide Observance Day and urge all residents, groups, organizations and institutions of the City of North Port to join in honoring and observing the 85th Anniversary of the Ukrainian Genocide of 1932—1933.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have hereunto set our hands and seal of the City of North Port, Florida, to be affixed this 1st day of November 2018.

**ATTEST:**

**CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA**

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Kathryn Peto  
Interim City Clerk

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Vanessa Carusone, Mayor

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Linda M. Yates, Vice-Mayor

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Christopher B. Hanks, Commissioner

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