

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, water is our most valuable natural resource; and

WHEREAS, although Florida's water supplies are finite, our community's population and need for water resources continues to increase; and

WHEREAS, water reuse provides a means for conserving and augmenting Florida's precious water resources which are essential to the health and well-being of our citizens, environment and economy; and

WHEREAS, Chapters 373 and 403, Florida Statutes, provide the statutory framework for the encouragement and promotion of water reuse and conservation as part of sustainable water resource management; and

WHEREAS, each year the State of Florida, through the Governor, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Florida water management districts, and local governments, designates a week in May as Florida Water Reuse Week to highlight the importance of water reclamation, water use efficiency, and conservation in meeting the state's water needs; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Port joins the State of Florida, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and the Southwest Florida Water Management District in encouraging and promoting water reuse, water conservation, and stewardship of precious freshwater resources; and

WHEREAS, we are all stewards of the water resources and infrastructure upon which future generations depend; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Port has an award winning water reuse system and encourages efficient and effective use of reclaimed water; and

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 17th through May 23rd, 2026 as

“Water Reuse Week”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and Seal of the City of North Port, Florida, to be affixed this 2nd day of April 2026.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

Pete Emrich, Mayor

Barbara Langdon, Vice-Mayor

David Duval, Commissioner



Phil Stokes, Commissioner

Demetrius Petrow, Commissioner

ATTEST

Heather Faust, City Clerk