

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the practice of law is demanding, challenging, and complex; and

WHEREAS, lawyers require the services of knowledgeable and reliable professionals who facilitate the practice of law; and

WHEREAS, paralegals provide valuable support to lawyers through a variety of specialized skills; and

WHEREAS, paralegals are educated, trained, and experienced professionals with indispensable expertise in legal research and writing, interviewing clients and witnesses, case and document management, trial preparation, and more; and

WHEREAS, paralegals aspire to maintain integrity, ethics, and high levels of competence in their services; and

WHEREAS, The Florida Bar encourages paralegals to meet strict standards and undergo certification and registration procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsborough County Chapter of the Paralegal Association of Florida and the Tampa Bay Paralegal Association advance the profession through continuing education, networking, and campaigns that raise public awareness and appreciation for paralegals; and

WHEREAS, paralegals and paralegal professional organizations provide valuable services to residents, lawyers, and businesses in Hillsborough County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida does hereby declare
May 18, 2017 as

Paralegal Day

in Hillsborough County, and encourages all residents to join in saluting the expertise and hard work of paralegals.

Executed this 3rd day of May, 2017



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