



WHEREAS, the residents of Clermont, Lake County, Florida value safe and healthy workplaces for all of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the majority of workplace injuries and fatalities are preventable, however more than 5,000 U.S. workers die each year from job related injuries, and millions more suffer occupational injuries and illnesses; and

WHEREAS, businesses spend \$170 billion a year on costs tied to occupational injuries, illnesses and healthcare, as well as facing intangible costs of losing a loved one, friend or coworker; and

WHEREAS, safer organizations enjoy increased productivity, higher employee satisfaction and a better reputation while recording less lost time and lower workers' compensation and healthcare costs; and

WHEREAS, during the week of May 6-12, 2018, members of the American Society of Safety Engineers, Canadian Society of Safety Engineering, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, and corporate and association partners representing thousands of businesses will mobilize throughout North America in an effort to increase public awareness of the value of following safe practices and staying safe at work while helping companies and organizations enhance their workplace safety efforts; and

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2018, occupational safety and health professionals across North America will be recognized on Occupational Safety and Health Professionals Day for their commitment to protecting people and property in their communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gail L. Ash, Mayor of the City of Clermont do hereby proclaim the week of May 6, 2018 through May 12, 2018 as

AMERICAN OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH WEEK

and Wednesday, May 9, 2018, to be

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROFESSIONALS DAY

encouraging all organizations, community leaders, employers and employees to support activities designed to increase awareness of the importance of safe workplaces for all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Clermont to be affixed this tenth day of April, two thousand and eighteen.

Gail L. Ash, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tracy Ackroyd Howe, MMC
City Clerk