

## Proclamation

WHEREAS, water is a basic and essential need of every living creature; and

**WHEREAS,** the State of Florida, Water Management Districts, and City of Port St. Lucie are working together to increase awareness about the importance of water conservation; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Florida has designated April, typically a dry month when water demands are most acute, Florida's Water Conservation Month, to educate citizens about how they can help save Florida's precious water resources; and

**WHEREAS,** more than 90 percent of Florida's drinking water is supplied by underground aquifers, and our quality of life and economy depend upon a clean and healthy environment; and

**WHEREAS**, all water users including commercial, industrial, agricultural, institutional, hospitality, private citizens and others can make positive contributions to reduce water use and protect our water resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Florida and its local partners, like the City, are investing billions of dollars to develop alternative water supplies, clean up stormwater pollution, restore rivers, lakes, and springs, upgrade drinking water facilities and improve wastewater treatment, as exemplified in the McCarty Ranch Water Storage and Treatment Project.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Gregory J. Oravec, Mayor of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, do hereby proclaim April 2017, as:

## **Water Conservation Month**

in Port St. Lucie, Florida, and call upon all citizens to help protect one of our most precious resources by practicing water saving measures and conserving water.

O SEAL TO SEAL

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, to be affixed, this tenth day of April in the year of our Lord, two thousand seventeen.

Gregory J. Oravec, Mayor

Karen A. Phillips, City Clerk