

WINTER HAVEN

The Chain of Lakes City

Proclamation

WHEREAS, concrete pipe is a Florida sustainable construction product that uses Florida-sourced raw materials of cement, sand, and rock aggregates; and

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WHEREAS, the hundreds of thousands of tons of concrete pipe produced annually in Florida are among the first structures installed on highway projects and local developments where they ultimately convey stormwater and safely support our citizens and cargo; and

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WHEREAS, concrete pipe is primarily produced by three producers in six plants throughout the state employing hundreds of Floridians and indirectly supporting hundreds more in ancillary support, and with one producer, Forterra, strategically located in the City of Winter Haven; and

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WHEREAS, concrete pipe is unique in that it is the only storm pipe product available in Florida that can be strength tested, subjected to tens of thousands of pounds, before it is purchased and installed to certify its viability and inherent safety; and

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WHEREAS, concrete pipe is resilient to withstand the hostilities of Florida's environment, such as hurricanes, floods, tidal forces, and brush fires; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, Steven M. Hunnicutt, Mayor of the City of Winter Haven, Florida, do hereby proclaim August 20 - 26, 2017 as

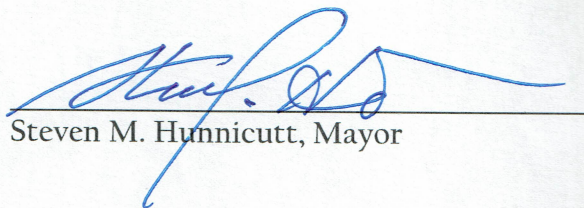
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in the City of Winter Haven and call upon each citizen and business to have confidence in the knowledge that our roads and communities are built upon this rigid, rugged, and resilient product.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Winter Haven, Florida, to be affixed this 14th day of August 2017.




Steven M. Hunnicutt, Mayor

ATTEST:


Vanessa Castillo, MMC, City Clerk