

City of Tarpon Springs, Florida

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Tarpon Springs has experienced severe weather in the past in the form of extreme rainfall or tropical system events resulting in flooding in coastal areas, and this flooding has caused damage and flood losses to homes and buildings in all areas whether they are high-risk special flood hazard areas or low to moderate risk flood zones; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tarpon Springs is a voluntary participant in the National Flood Insurance Program that provides residents with the opportunity to protect themselves against flood loss through the purchase of flood insurance at reduced insurance premium rates as well as setting higher regulatory standards to reduce the flood risk and potential flood damage to their property; and

WHEREAS, the reduction of loss of life and property damage can be achieved when appropriate flood preparedness, control, and mitigation measures are taken before a flood; and

WHEREAS, public education and awareness of potential weather hazards and methods of protection are critical to the health, safety and welfare of residents, the Florida Floodplain Managers Association (FFMA), have declared the week of March 11-17, 2019, as Flood Awareness Week to promote awareness and increase knowledge of flood risk, the availability of flood insurance, flood protection methods, and how to prepare for emergencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chris Alahouzos, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tarpon Springs, Florida, do hereby proclaim the week of March 11-17, 2019 as

FLOOD AWARENESS WEEK

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Tarpon Springs, Florida, to be affixed this 26TH day of February, 2019.

City Clerk & Collector

Mayor