



WHEREAS, Lucille Gutliffe Murray-Wheatley has led a long and incredible life that has focused on family, career and community service; and

WHEREAS, after earning master's degrees in sociology and social work, she served as a social worker in New York City, where she became involved in programs that supported her clients; and

WHEREAS, she was instrumental in the founding of the 140th Street Block Association, was elected to serve on the board of the first community school in the South Bronx, and was appointed by former New York City Mayor Ed Koch to serve on the Anti-Poverty Operation Board; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, she and her husband, Earl, retired to Deltona, where she continued her legacy of community engagement and support; and

WHEREAS, in 1995, she became the first African-American elected to the Deltona City Commission, went on to become vice mayor, and was re-elected three times; and

WHEREAS, she established programs to recognize Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday and is a member of many significant community organizations in west Volusia County; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Murray-Wheatley is the mother of two sons, George (deceased) and Maurice, and has eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren; **NOW, THEREFORE**,

WE, THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, do hereby proclaim January 29, 2017, as:

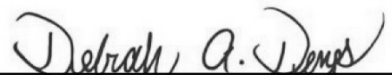
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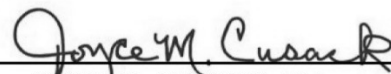
in Volusia County and urge all residents to honor this outstanding woman as she celebrates her 90th birthday.

Dated this 29th day of January, A.D. 2017

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