

WHEREAS, Ray Salazar is a humble and gifted man who has worked tirelessly to help Volusia and Flagler County residents who are in the most need; and

WHEREAS, as president of the United Way of Volusia-Flagler Counties since 2001, he has touched the lives of thousands of residents, helping them to see their self-worth and cultivating their dreams; and

WHEREAS, under his leadership, the United Way has transitioned from the old community chest model to a proactive community impact model and raised \$35 million; and

WHEREAS, his many achievements include encouraging not-for-profit organizations to collaborate so more needy residents can be served, working with hospitals and local health departments to explore improved health promotion and access, providing free income tax preparation to qualified residents, implementing an early reading child development program, and increasing the Community Foundation asset pool to provide donor-designated funds to serve specific populations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Salazar is a true humanitarian who has earned the profound respect of community leaders, volunteers, workers and the underprivileged; **NOW THEREFORE,**

WE, THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, do hereby proclaim December 10, 2014, as:

"RAY SALAZAR DAY"

in Volusia County and urge residents to honor this outstanding man for his leadership, ingenuity and dedication to serving the needy in Volusia and Flagler counties.

Dated this 10th day of December, A.D. 2014