

*STATE OF FLORIDA
CITY OF OAKLAND PARK*

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Broward Reads Campaign focuses on four critical areas including school readiness, chronic absenteeism, family engagement, and preventing the summer learning loss to ensure Broward's children are reading at grade level; and

WHEREAS, the Broward Reads Campaign is partnering with cities within the County to demonstrate a collaborative approach to making grade level reading a priority within their community and throughout all of Broward County; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland Park embraces the mission of the Broward Reads Campaign to increase child literacy by empowering residents to navigate these unprecedented times with virtual library programming including bilingual story time, library curbside pick-up, and tips to help parents create a healthy space for students learning at home; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of Libraries highlights the Ethel M. Gordon Library as a cornerstone of the community and understands the critical importance of well-funded libraries and advocate to ensure our library gets the resources it needs to further the mission of the Broward Reads Campaign ensuring children are able to read at grade level is the moral responsibility of everyone in the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of Oakland Park, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in it by the Charter, does hereby authorize Mayor Jane Bolin to declare Oakland Park as a Broward Reads City committed to ensuring grade level literacy for all of its children and to proclaim the week of October 17 - 23, 2021 as

NATIONAL FRIENDS OF THE WEEK IN A BROWARD READS CITY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Oakland Park, Florida, to be affixed this 6th day of October 2021.

By: _____
JANE BOLIN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

RENEE M. SHROUT, CITY CLERK