STATE OF FLORIDA
CITY OF OAKLAND PARK

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Oakland Park Elementary School has proudly served the children and families of the City of Oakland Park for one hundred years, providing generations of students with a strong educational foundation and a welcoming environment for learning; and

WHEREAS, established in 1926, Oakland Park Elementary School, designed by architect Thomas D. McLaughlin and built by Frank Norton and Charles Mills in a Mission/Spanish Revival architectural style, has played a vital role in shaping the academic success, character, and civic spirit of countless students who have gone on to contribute meaningfully to their community and beyond; and

WHEREAS, throughout its century of service, Oakland Park Elementary School is considered the oldest school in Broward County that has been in continuous use and has remained committed to educational excellence, fostering curiosity, creativity, and a lifelong love of learning among its students; and

WHEREAS, the school's historic auditorium, added in 1927, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, stands as a lasting symbol of the school's heritage and the pride the community has taken in preserving this important campus; and

WHEREAS, the centennial celebration provides an opportunity to honor the school's rich history, recognize the individuals who have shaped its legacy, and celebrate the lasting impact Oakland Park Elementary School has had on the City of Oakland Park.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of Oakland Park, Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in it by the Charter, hereby authorizes Mayor Steven Arnst to proudly recognize the

OAKLAND PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CENTENNIAL

and extends sincere congratulations and appreciation to the students, faculty, staff, alumni, and supporters who have contributed to its remarkable legacy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Oakland Park, Florida, to be affixed this 14th day of April, 2026.

BY:_____
STEVEN R. ARNST, MAYOR

ATTEST:_____
RENEE M. SHROUT, CMC, CITY CLERK