**WHEREAS**, pickleball provides fun and affordable recreation opportunities for people of all ages; and

WHEREAS, pickleball programs have become an integral part of communities throughout the country, including Delray Beach; and

**WHEREAS,** pickleball is among the fastest growing sports in the United States; and

WHEREAS, pickleball programs aid in building healthy and active communities which improves the physical, mental and emotional health of all participants, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Delray Beach recognizes the benefits of this multigenerational sport and would like to proclaim the month of December as Pickleball Month.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHELLY PETROLIA,** Mayor of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, on behalf of the City Commission, do hereby proclaim December as:

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in the City of Delray Beach, Florida, and urge all citizens, schools, businesses and community organizations to join with me in recognizing the value and the need for Pickleball programs that encompass our entire community.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.

SHELLY PETROLIA
MAYOR