

WHEREAS, safe, clean and sustainable water resources are essential to Florida's environment, economy, citizens, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, water reuse provides a means for conserving and augmenting Florida's precious water resources and is key to the state's sustainable water future; and

WHEREAS, Florida has established the encouragement and promotion of water reuse as state objectives in Chapters 373 and 403, Florida Statutes, and

WHEREAS, Florida has risen to be the national leader in water reuse -- reusing 820 million gallons of reclaimed water per day to conserve freshwater supplies and replenish our rivers, streams, lakes, and aquifers; and

WHEREAS, Florida's permitted reuse capacity is more than 1.7 billion gallons per day (approximately 67 percent of Florida's total permitted capacity for all domestic wastewater treatment facilities); and

WHEREAS, WaterReuse Florida, the state section of the WaterReuse Association, has proclaimed the week of May 15-22, 2022 as Florida Water Reuse Week; and

WHEREAS, City of Delray Beach has joined with WaterReuse Florida, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and the South Florida Water Management District in encouraging and promoting water reuse and conservation; and

WHEREAS, City of Delray Beach has implemented a water reuse program and encourages efficient and effective use of reclaimed water.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHELLY PETROLIA, Mayor of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, on behalf of the City Commission do hereby support Water Reuse Florida and proclaim May 15-22, 2022, as:

WATER REUSE WEEK

in the State of Florida. The City of Delray Beach, Florida is calling upon each citizen and business to help protect our precious water resources by practicing efficient and effective use of reclaimed water.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Delray Beach to be affixed this 3rd day of May 2022.

SHELLY PETROLIA
MAYOR