Whereas, KOP Mentoring Network has been providing quality enrichment programs for local children since 1991; and

Whereas, the next generation of entrepreneurs will convene at a daylong summit on January 26, 2019 where they will learn business and entrepreneurial skills, grow their network, and be encouraged to become active changemakers in their communities; and

Whereas, the Go4it Youth Entrepreneurship Summit, for youth ages 14 to 24, will incorporate music, entertainment, celebrities with interactive financial literacy and wealth building workshops; and

Whereas, it will also feature networking opportunities and a pitch competition where selected attendees will be given playdough to create a prototype of a unique product and present a SWOT analysis to a panel of judges; and

Whereas, one of the goals is to give attendees an overview of some of the basic fundamentals important to achieving success in the business world; and

Whereas, the event will be from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach; and

Whereas, among the lineup of presenters will be former Green Bay Packers linebacker Na'il Diggs; Dr. Mark C. Schug, economics and financial education professor emeritus at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; Dwight Stephenson, retired NFL Hall of Famer and successful entrepreneur; Ionnie McNeill, The Baby Billionaire, whose investment education began when she was only seven, and Delray Beach City Commissioner and entrepreneur Ryan Boylston, and

Whereas, officials from Palm Beach State College will speak on the economic benefits of college and the hidden costs, and students and alumni from BizNovator, a Miami-based organization which empowers youth from around the world through entrepreneurial skills and mindsets for success, will share tips on the journey of becoming entrepreneurs; and

Whereas, during the event, five community leaders, local business, and organizations that are making an impact in the nonprofit sector, by providing potential young entrepreneurs the opportunity to develop the skills necessary to build a successful business, will be recognized; and

Whereas, the Go4lt Youth Entrepreneurship Summit is produced by KOP Mentoring Network in collaboration with some of the area's leading corporations and agencies, including Asset Builders of America Inc., the City of Delray Beach Community Improvement Department, Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency, Children's Services Council of Palm Beach County, Delray Beach Public Library, Palm Beach State College, United Way of Palm Beach County, JM Family Enterprises, Achievement Centers for Children and Families, Healthier Delray Beach among other organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Shelly Petrolia, Mayor of the City of Delray Beach Florida on behalf of the City Commission, and the Citizens of Delray Beach, hereby proclaim Saturday, January 26, 2019 as

"Go4it Youth Entrepreneurship Summit Day"

And be it further resolved that I enthusiastically endorse wealth building for youth and encourage our community to engage in innovative afterschool programs and activities that ensure our children are exposed to wealth building programs.

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 5th day of February 2019.

SHELLY PETROLIA MAYOR