

## **RECOGNIZING THE 70<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH**

**WHEREAS**, in 1949, the owners within Highland Beach decided to incorporate their collective lands into a state-chartered town and named it Highland Beach, reflecting the very high dunes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Highland Beach was created and established by charter in 1949; and

**WHEREAS**, in November of 1949, the first Town Council approved its first water plant bonds and began the construction of its first water plant; and

**WHEREAS**, in the 1950s, Post-World War II, Highland Beach was also known as “Jap Rocks,” and

**WHEREAS**, in the 1960s, the population of Highland Beach skyrocketed by an unbelievable 1000 percent, and

**WHEREAS**, throughout its long and rich history, the Town of Highland Beach has evolved into a beautiful residential beach community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, SHELLY PETROLIA**, Mayor of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, on behalf of the City Commission, do hereby proclaim December 5, 2019 as:

## ***The Town of Highland Beach Day***

**IN WITNESS WHEREFORE**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Delray Beach, Florida to be affixed this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December 2019.

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**SHELLY PETROLIA**  
**MAYOR**