

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, Everglades City's cultural heritage has been rich and diverse as represented by the thousands of archeological and historical sites, historic architecture, and landscapes that have been discovered and recorded throughout our state; and

**WHEREAS**, the historic Bank of Everglades Building helps make our City unique and provides links with aspirations and attainment of the City's pioneers and their descendants; and

**WHEREAS**, public appreciation and understanding is the foundation of preserving Everglades City's past for future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, The Bank of Everglades Building has been in existence for over 90 years; and

**WHEREAS**, the protection and preservation of this site, building, and landscape provides educational, scientific, and economic benefits for all citizens and visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important to celebrate the role of history in our lives and the contributions made by dedicated individuals who preserve the tangible aspects of the heritage that shapes us as Floridians of Everglades City; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved that by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Everglades City, I do hereby proclaim the Bank of Everglades Building to be historically significant, and that the City fully supports the Everglades Society for Historic Preservation's efforts to refurbish this historic building so that it may proudly serve and remain for future generations to use and enjoy.

Dated this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021.



Howie Grimm, Mayor



Dottie Joiner, City Clerk