PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the GFWC Woman's Club of Lake Wales' original organization was formed in 1914 and has operated continuously ever since; and

WHEREAS the object of the GFWC Woman's Club of Lake Wales is literacy, civic, scientific, music, philanthropic, social and the general advancement of womankind; and

WHEREAS the GFWC Woman's Club of Lake Wales founders, in cooperation with the Lake Wales Board of Trade, oversaw and operated the village of Lake Wales for three years prior to the formation of the City of Lake Wales and the installation of an elected municipal authority; and

WHEREAS the GFWC Woman's Club of Lake Wales was responsible for the start up of the Lake Wales Library in 1920 through provision of books, space and a volunteer librarian and has subsequently continued support throughout the ensuing 94 years; and

WHEREAS the GFWC Woman's Club of Lake Wales has financially supported and meticulously maintained its historic clubhouse located at 275 East Park Avenue on behalf of the City of Lake Wales for 75 years; and

WHEREAS the GFWC Woman's Club of Lake Wales is made up of Lake Wales area women and supporters who band together to provide hands on and financial support to area organizations and causes while providing for social, educational and developmental opportunities through monthly meetings and special events; and

WHEREAS the GFWC Woman's Club of Lake Wales has earned national recognition for its accomplishments and exemplary operation as a Federated Women's club; and

WHEREAS the City of Lake Wales has benefitted over the past 100 years from the diligent efforts of the members of the Woman's Club of Lake Wales who have dedicated their time, energy, financial and organizational support to the betterment of the City of Lake Wales.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Eugene Fultz, Mayor of the City of Lake Wales, Polk County, Florida do hereby proclaim May 23, 2014, as

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and, encourage interested citizens to participate in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Lake Wales, Florida to be affixed this 20th day of May 2014.

Mayor Eugene Fultz