

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Alex Peterman was a long-time resident of Marion County and a local businessman who owned several hardware stores including, Belleview Hardware for 43 years; and

WHEREAS, Alex Peterman worked at Belleview Hardware while in high school and chose to return to Belleview after graduating from Stetson University and purchase Belleview Hardware in 1978 from Bruce and Grace Moody, and through his ownership making it the oldest, continuous business in Belleview; and

WHEREAS, Belleview Hardware was founded in 1947 by one of Belleview's first Mayors, Leonard Bingham and was operated by a series of people who kept it locally owned and were service orientated allowing for it to thrive and be owned and operated under the same name and some location for 74 years; and

WHEREAS, Alex Peterman believed that locally owned businesses have always been the backbone of a community; and

WHEREAS, Alex Peterman was an active member of Belleview and involved in the community and local organizations such as the Belleview/South Marion Chamber of Commerce and the Belleview Exchange Club and serving as the Belleview Chamber of Commerce President in 1983 – 1984 and the Chairman for local events such as Founders Day; and

WHEREAS, Alex Peterman led a life that included family, service, dedication and faith and was married to his wife Patty for 31 years; and

WHEREAS, Alex Peterman passed away August 29, 2021 and will be fondly remembered as a true cornerstone of our community who will be dearly missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Christine K. Dobkowski, Mayor/ Commissioner of the City of Belleview on Behalf of the Commission of the City of Belleview, are proud to honor the memory of Alex Peterman and take great pleasure in recognizing the invaluable contributions that he has made to the City of Belleview community and its citizens during the course of his life

Proclaimed this 7th day of December, 2021.


CHRISTINE K. DOBKOWSKI
Mayor/Commissioner

Attest:


MARIAH MOODY
City Clerk

