

Proclamation



2020 BEAN AND PEPPER JAMBOREE

WHEREAS: rooted in the City of Pompano Beach's agricultural history, the Bean and Pepper Jamboree was first held in 1946 at the Pompano State Farmers Market on Atlantic Boulevard. The Farmers Market was a major distribution hub for winter vegetables and local growers brought their fruits and vegetables there for shipment around the country; and

WHEREAS: history tells us that those who populated the area at that time were attracted by its rich soil and mild temperatures. One of the early cash crops was pineapples, but competition turned most farmers to growing tomatoes and later beans, peppers and other winter vegetables; and

WHEREAS: the Jamboree celebrated the end-of-the-season harvest and the entire community gathered to enjoy the simpler times and the offerings of food, fun and festivities; and

WHEREAS: the harvest celebration declined in the mid 1970's, but was reintroduced to Pompano Beach residents ten years ago and will now be held at the historic Sample McDougald House; and

WHEREAS: this year's event is co-hosted by the Broward County Farm Bureau, the Sample McDougald House, Shane Lemar Entertainment and the Kiwanis Club of Pompano Beach and will feature the traditional local produce as well as gourmet foods, flowers, handmade arts and crafts along with live entertainment, games, contests and fun for the entire family; and

WHEREAS: the public is invited to recapture a piece of Pompano's past at the annual Bean and Pepper Jamboree at the Sample McDougald House on Sunday, March 29th from 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that I, Rex Hardin, as Mayor and on behalf of the City Commission of Pompano Beach, Florida, do hereby designate March 29, 2020, as:

BEAN AND PEPPER JAMBOREE DAY

in the City of Pompano Beach and invite all residents to join in the fun and festivities celebrating Pompano's agricultural history.

DONE this 10th day of March, 2020.





REX HARDIN
MAYOR