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PROCLAMATION
DECLARING MAY AS CIVILITY MONTH

WHEREAS, the open exchange of public discourse is essential to the democratic system of government; and

WHEREAS, as a cornerstone of democracy Americans have observed certain rules of behavior generally known as civility; and

WHEREAS, civility, derived from the Latin words "civitas" meaning city and "civis" meaning citizen, is behavior worthy of citizens living in a community or in common with others; and

WHEREAS, displays of anger, rudeness, ridicule, impatience, and a lack of respect and personal attacks from the open exchange of ideas, prevent fair discussion of the issues, and can discourage individuals from participation in government; and

WHEREAS, civility can assist in reaching consensus on diverse issues and allow for mutually respectful ongoing relationships; and

WHEREAS, civility can uplift our daily life and make it more pleasant to live in an organized society; and

WHEREAS, the Town, County and Local Government Law Section of the Florida Bar urges the adoption of a pledge of civility by all citizens in the State of Florida.

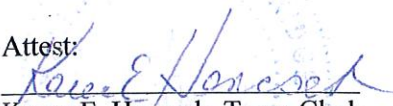
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Town of Ocean Ridge, Florida hereby declares the month of May as

"CIVILITY MONTH"

and urge all citizens to exercise civility toward each other.

Passed and adopted this 5th day of May, 2014.

Attest:


Karen E. Hancsak, Town Clerk


Geoffrey A. Pugh, Mayor