

WHEREAS, change is constant and affects all cities, towns, suburbs, counties, boroughs, townships, rural areas, and other places; and

WHEREAS, community planning and plans can help manage this change in a way that provides better choices for how people work and live; and

WHEREAS, community planning provides an opportunity for all residents to be meaningfully involved in making choices that determine the future of their community; and

WHEREAS, the full benefits of planning require public officials and citizens who understand, support, and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation; and

WHEREAS, the month of October is designated as National Community Planning Month throughout the United States of America and its territories; and

WHEREAS, the American Planning Association and its professional institute, the American Institute of Certified Planners, endorse National Community Planning Month as an opportunity to highlight the contributions that sound planning and plan implementation make to the quality of our settlements and environment; and

WHEREAS, the celebration of National Community Planning Month gives us the opportunity to publicly recognize the participation and dedication of the members of planning commissions and other citizen planners who have contributed their time and expertise to the improvement of the City of Margate, Florida; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the many valuable contributions made by professional, community and regional planners of the City of Margate, and extend our heartfelt thanks for the continued commitment to public service by these professionals.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joanne Simone, Mayor of the City of Margate, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2015, as

COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH

in the City of Margate, in conjunction with the celebration of National Community Planning Month.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Margate to be affixed this 7Th day of October 2015.

JOANNE SIMONE, MAYOR