

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Allen Bellman was born June 5, 1924 in Manhattan and studied at the High School of Industrial Arts, eventually becoming a staff artist at Timely during the Golden Age of Comics; and

WHEREAS, While still a teenager, Allen did the backgrounds for Syd Shores' Captain America in 1942, and eventually worked on titles such as *The Patriot*, *The Destroyer*, *The Human Torch*, *Jap Buster Johnson* and *Jet Dixon of the Space Squadron*, *All Winners Comics*, *Marvel Mystery*, *Sub Mariner Comics*, *Young Allies*; and

WHEREAS, He also created a crime feature *Let's Play Detective* also contributing to Pre-Code horror, crime, war and western tales for Atlas working in the comics field until the early 1950's; and

WHEREAS, After 18 years, Allen moved down to South Florida where he joined the art department of the Sun-Sentinel, one of South Florida's major daily newspapers, and from there, went into photography, winning many nationwide photography contests, beating out more than 20,000 entries; and

WHEREAS, Hundreds of Allen's photos have appeared in hardcover books and have been on exhibit in museums all over Florida receiving great reviews in numerous newspapers; and

WHEREAS, At the youthful age of 93, not only does Allen still attend numerous comic-cons and take commissions, but he is also an author penning his remarkable career and life story in *Timely Confidential: "When the Golden Age of Comic Books Was Young"*; and

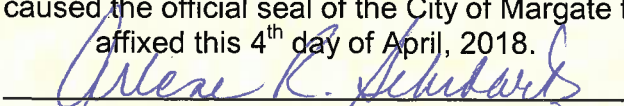
WHEREAS, on behalf of the entire City Commission, I want to express my sincere appreciation to Allen Bellman for a lifetime dedicated to delighting the imagination of children of all ages.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Arlene R. Schwartz, Mayor of the City of Margate, do hereby proclaim Wednesday, April 4, 2018, as:

"ALLEN BELLMAN DAY"

in the City of Margate, and urge all citizens to join me in acknowledging Allen Bellman on an outstanding career and expressing our sincere appreciation for his talents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
and caused the official seal of the City of Margate to be
affixed this 4th day of April, 2018.


ARLENE R. SCHWARTZ, MAYOR

Vice Mayor Anthony N. Caggiano, Commissioner Tommy Ruzzano, Commissioner Lesa Peerman, Commissioner Joanne Simone