PROCLAMATION
HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE MONTH
NOVEMBER 2018

WHEREAS, as Medicare's first proven coordinated care model, hospice is a program that works offering person-centered, compassionate care, ensuring people dignity, choice, and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the hospice model involves an interdisciplinary, team-oriented approach to treatment, including expert medical care, quality symptom control, and comprehensive pain management as a foundation of care; and

WHEREAS, beyond providing physical treatment, hospice attends to the patient's emotional, spiritual and family needs, and provides family services like respite care and grief counseling; and

WHEREAS, hospice and palliative care organizations are advocates and educators about advance care planning that help individuals make decisions about the care they want; and

WHEREAS, Treasure Coast Hospice has served our communities since 1982 with compassionate, caring, expert and professional hospice and grief support services to patients and their families at the end of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KELLI GLASS LEIGHTON, Mayor of the City of Stuart, Florida do hereby proclaim November 2018, as **Hospice and Palliative Care Month** in the City of Stuart, Florida, and encourage citizens to increase their understanding and awareness of care at the end of life and to observe this month with appropriate activities and programs.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Stuart, Florida to be affixed this 13th day of November, 2018.

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KELLI GLASS LEIGHTON
MAYOR