

PROCLAMATION

COUNCIL ITEM 5A
DATE 10/8/12

WHEREAS, on July 2, 1862, President Abraham Lincoln signed into law the Morrill Act, which created a nationwide network of public universities known as land-grant universities. These universities made higher education accessible to everybody and initially provided for the teaching of agricultural science, engineering, and military tactics to improve the quality of education in these subjects; and

WHEREAS, the University of Florida was designated to be the State of Florida's 1862 land-grant university, and it has provided leadership in helping the United States produce the safest and most plentiful food supply on earth; and

WHEREAS, faculty members have made significant strides in establishing and advancing the agricultural and natural resources sector as Florida's second-largest industry, and the University has made a tremendous impact on the lives of Floridians through its research, teaching, and outreach; and

WHEREAS, the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS) is a federal, state, and county partnership dedicated to developing knowledge of agriculture, human and natural resources, and life sciences, and sharing it with Florida's citizenry; and

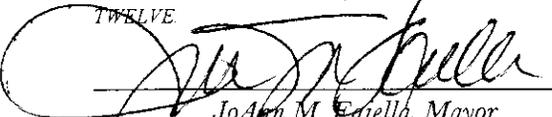
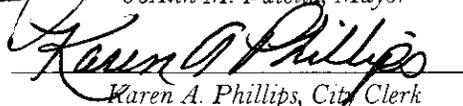
WHEREAS, this shared scientific knowledge and expertise enriches lives and enhances the state's economic growth.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JoAnn M. Faiella, Mayor of the City of Port St. Lucie, do proclaim the

150th ANNIVERSARY OF THE MORRILL ACT CELEBRATING FLORIDA'S LAND-GRANT UNIVERSITIES



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET
MY HAND AND CAUSED THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF
THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA, TO BE
AFFIXED, THIS EIGHTH DAY OF OCTOBER, IN
THE YEAR OF OUR LORD, TWO THOUSAND AND
TWELVE


JoAnn M. Faiella, Mayor

Karen A. Phillips, City Clerk