

**WHEREAS**, civic prayers and national day of prayer have a long and venerable history in our constitutional republic, dating back to the First Continental Congress in 1775; and

**WHEREAS**, the Declaration of Independence, our first statement as Americans of national purpose and identity, made “the laws of Nature and of Nature’s God” the foundation of our United States of America and asserted that people have inalienable rights that are God-given; and

**WHEREAS**, the Supreme Court has affirmed the right of state legislatures to open their sessions with prayer and the Supreme Court and the United States Congress, themselves, begin each day with prayer; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1988, legislation setting aside the first Thursday in May in each year as a National Day of Prayer was passed unanimously by both Houses of Congress and signed by President Ronald Reagan; and

**WHEREAS**, The National Day of Prayer is an opportunity for Americans of all faiths to join in united prayer to acknowledge our dependence on God, to give thanks for blessings received, to request healing for wounds endured and to ask God to guide our leaders and bring wholeness to the United States and her citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, it is fitting and proper to give thanks to God by observing a day of prayer in the Town of Davie when all may acknowledge our blessings and express gratitude for them, while recognizing the need for strengthening religious and moral values in our town, state and nation; and

**WHEREAS**, this year marks the 55th Annual National Day of Prayer; its theme being “America, Honor God” reflecting the words, “Those who honor Me, I will honor.”

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED**, that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Davie, do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 4th, 2006 in the Town of Davie as a;

### **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand this 19th day of April, 2006.

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**Tom Truex, Mayor**

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