

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, June 24th and 25th, 2006, mark the Annual Greek Landing Days Celebration in St. Augustine, and

WHEREAS, the Greek Landing Days Celebration memorializes those Greek pioneers who traveled to St. Augustine from New Smyrna on June 26, 1768, seeking prosperity and freedom in the New World, and

WHEREAS, this year's festivities recognize St. Augustine's Greek heritage, with a blessing of its St. Photios Shrine, a reception, lecture and youth rally, and

WHEREAS, the Greek Landing Days Celebration makes a substantial contribution to the cultural life of our community, and helps support the mission of its Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Augustine recognizes the importance of the Greek Landing Days Celebration to the spirit and dignity of the Greek Community and to the historic fabric of our Nation's Oldest City.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of St. Augustine hereby proclaims June 24th and 25th, 2006, as GREEK LANDING DAYS in the City of St. Augustine, and urges all our citizens to attend, participate and share in the rich heritage of St. Augustine's Greek Community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of St. Augustine to be affixed this 24th day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand six and the four hundred and fortieth year of the founding of St. Augustine, the Nation's Oldest City.

GEORGE GARDNER, MAYOR