WHEREAS, we all have a responsibility as individuals, neighbors, community members, and citizens of Tarpon Springs to help create, healthy, nurturing and safe experiences for children; and

WHEREAS, National Foster Care Month, is a time to reflect on the foster caregivers and child welfare professionals who are dedicated to keep children safe from abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, foster care families who open their homes to children and make a positive difference in their lives deserve respect, devotion, and support in their communities; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for more families to volunteer in the foster care system to serve children who are unable to remain at home, through no fault of their own; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tarpon Springs supports organizations that strengthen families and provide the optimal environment for children to learn, grow and thrive so that all children have the benefit of happy, healthy and safe homes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chris Alahouzos, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tarpon Springs, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 2019 as

NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH

and recognize that we each can play a part in enhancing the lives of children and youth in foster care.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Tarpon Springs, Florida, to be affixed this 28th day of May, 2019.

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City Clerk & Collector       Mayor