

PROCLAMATION



CITY OF UMATILLA, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, the Reverend Archibald Carr and his family moved to Umatilla, Florida in 1930, where he served as pastor to the First Presbyterian Church of Umatilla, and, through his wife “Mimi”, and two sons, Dr. Archibald “Archie” Carr, Jr., his wife Marjorie, and Dr. Thomas Carr contributed to the legacy and appreciation of hunting, fishing and outdoor lifestyle for generations of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, “Parson Carr” established in 1938 a small family cabin, a retreat for hunting, fishing and outdoor enjoyment, in the southern part of the Ocala National Forest; and

WHEREAS, his two sons became world famous in wildlife research, protection & study along with the study of astrophysics and space exploration including the current voyages to the planet Jupiter, and his daughter in law, Marjorie Carr became a national leader in protection of the Ocklawaha River; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Thomas Carr donated his family’s forest property consisting of 46 acres and the remains of their family cabin to the United States Forest Service; and

WHEREAS, a group of prominent Florida citizens with the support and guidance of the US Forest Service, Seminole Ranger Station, located just north of Umatilla, established a not-for-profit corporation called the Friends of Carr Cabin, Inc.,

WHEREAS, this entity faithfully raised funds, solicited skilled craftsmen and supervised the restoration of the Carr Family Cabin to its original 1938 status; and

WHEREAS, The Society for History in the Federal Government, recognized this effort as the national winner of the prestigious John Wesley Powell Prize for Historic Preservation as an outstanding achievement in furthering history of and in the Federal Government, in 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Senate along with the Florida Trust for Historic Preservation also awarded and commended the Friends of Carr Cabin, the Greater Umatilla Historical Society, and the US Forest Service for their care, concern, and restoration of the cabin; and

WHEREAS, the efforts of the all concerned have greatly benefited tourism, our citizens and local businesses of our City, the education of our young and old alike to the value of appreciation of time and place in Florida’s history;

WHEREAS, the efforts of The United States Forest Service, the Seminole Ranger Station, and the Friends of Carr Cabin for their service to the City of Umatilla by preserving this important part of the history of Lake County for the education and enlightenment for future generations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Brian Butler and the City Council of the City of Umatilla Florida, proclaim the full support and endorsement of the nomination of the

CARR FAMILY CABIN

for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and caused this seal to be affixed.

Attest:

Brian Butler
Mayor

Karen H Howard, CMC
City Clerk

Date: _____