

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING
TOWN OF LAKE PARK CENTENNIAL
NOVEMBER 2023**

WHEREAS, Harry Seymour Kelsey purchased land in Florida in 1919; and

WHEREAS, Harry S. Kelsey entrusted the Olmstead Brothers and Dr. John Nolan to plan and design that land to help create Kelsey City; and

WHEREAS, Kelsey City was incorporated on November 16, 1923; and

WHEREAS, Kelsey City became the first zoned municipality south of Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, on August 5, 2020 the Centennial Celebration Committee was formed in preparation of the Town's Centennial; and

WHEREAS, on May 3, 2022, the Centennial Celebration Committee held its first meeting and met every month thereafter to plan for the monumental year; and

WHEREAS, throughout 2023, the Town of Lake Park held many events to celebrate its Centennial, including Sunset Celebrations, the Historical Home Tour, the Battle of the Badges Centennial Edition, Harry Kelsey's Birthday Party, the Centennial Easter Eggstravaganza, the Centennial Arbor Day Celebration, the Centennial Art on Park Festival, the Centennial Gala, the Lake Park Public Library Historical Exhibit, and the Time Capsule Ceremony on November 16 (the Town's actual anniversary) to honor the 100th Anniversary of the Town; and

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2023, the Town hosted the Centennial Celebration Festival in Kelsey Park, which concluded with an extravagant fireworks display.

NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of the Commission of the Town of Lake Park, I, Roger Michaud, Mayor of the Town of Lake Park, do hereby publicly recognize November 16, 2023 as the Town's Centennial.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the official Seal of the Town of Lake Park, Florida to be affixed this twentieth day of November, 2024.

Roger Michaud, Mayor

Vivian Mendez, Town Clerk