

# PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, the National Day of Prayer is an annual observance established by Congress, encouraging Americans of all faiths to pray for our nation, leaders, and communities; and

**WHEREAS**, since its inception in 1952, the National Day of Prayer has united citizens across our country in reflection, thanksgiving, and hope; and

**WHEREAS**, the First Amendment of the United States Constitution protects the freedom of religion, ensuring that all individuals may practice their faith without interference or coercion; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Pahokee honors the rich religious and cultural diversity of its residents and supports opportunities for voluntary expressions of faith, reflection, and unity; and

**WHEREAS**, this observance offers an opportunity to come together across lines of race, religion, and background in a shared moment of reverence and civic solidarity; and

**WHEREAS**, people of all ages and beliefs are invited to pause, reflect, and pray in their own way for the health, safety, and prosperity of our families, schools, first responders, service members, and community.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor of the City of Pahokee, Florida, on behalf of the City Commission and our citizens, do hereby proclaim **May 1, 2025** as “**National Day of Prayer**” in the City of Pahokee, and encourage all residents to observe this day in a manner most meaningful to them.

**In official recognition whereof, I hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Pahokee to be affixed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2025.**



*Keith W. Babb, Jr.*

Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.

*Derrick Boldin*

Commissioner Derrick Boldin

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