

PROCLAMATION

ACADEMY AT THE FARM

MAKE-A-DIFFERENCE WALK APRIL 25, 2009

WHEREAS, Academy at the Farm opened its doors in August 2002 with the purpose of providing an inclusion-based school setting, allowing students with special needs to be part of traditional classes, stressing respect for each other, and appreciation of each other's gifts; and

WHEREAS, Academy at the Farm has grown to a student body in excess of 280 with the expectation of adding an additional 100 student in the coming year, and includes grades kindergarten through eighth; and

WHEREAS, Academy at the Farm prepares students to successfully interact with their families, school and community through an individualized curriculum that improves academic achievement, strengthens values, and creates lifelong learning skills; and

WHEREAS, Academy at the Farm has once again named student **Shelby Hines** as the honorary chairwoman for the school's second annual Make-A-Difference Walk; and

WHEREAS, monies raised from the 1 to 2-mile Make-A-Difference Walk will help offset the cost of therapy for the school's special-needs children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Black, as Mayor of Dade City, Florida, and on behalf of the entire City Commission and citizens of Dade City hereby recognize and commend **Academy at the Farm** on their second annual **Make-A-Difference Walk**.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Dade City, Florida, to be affixed this 14th day of April, A.D., 2009.

ATTEST:

DADE CITY, FLORIDA

James D. Class, City Clerk

Scott Black, Mayor