Proclamation

WHEREAS, the residents of Maitland value safe and healthful workplaces for all of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the majority of workplace injuries and fatalities are preventable, however more than 4,500 workers die each year from job related injuries, and millions more suffer occupational injuries and illnesses; and

WHEREAS, businesses spend $170 billion a year on costs tied to occupational injuries, health care and illnesses and the tangible cost of losing a loved one, a friend and a co-worker; and

WHEREAS, safer organizations enjoy increased productivity, higher employee satisfaction and a better reputation, while recording less lost time, and lower workers’ compensation and healthcare costs; and

WHEREAS, during the week of May 5 - May 11, 2013, North American Occupational Safety and Health Week, members of the American Society of Safety Engineers, members of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration; and, corporate/association partners representing thousands of businesses will mobilize in an effort to increase employer, employee and public awareness of being safe at work to encourage safe practices; to help companies and organizations enhance their workplace safety efforts; and

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2013, Occupational Safety and Health Professionals will be recognized for their commitment to protect people, property and the environment at work in their communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HOWARD A. SCHIEFERDECKER, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Maitland, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 5 - May 11, 2013 as:

North American Occupational Safety and Health Week

and May 8, 2013, as: Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day

in the City of Maitland, Florida, and encourage all industries, organizations, community leaders, employers and employees to support activities designed to increase awareness of the importance of safe workplaces for all.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Maitland, Florida, to be affixed this 22nd day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Thirteen and of the founding of the City of Maitland, One Hundred Twenty Eight.

HOWARD A. SCHIEFERDECKER, MAYOR

ATTEST: Maria Wegele
CITY CLERK