City of Bradenton
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Proclamation

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Bradenton, I do hereby issue this proclamation honoring

Earned Income Tax Credit Awareness Day
January 27, 2017

Whereas, members of our community who work hard but do not earn high incomes may be eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), up to a maximum of $6,269 for a family with three children earning less than $54,000 annually; and

Whereas, the IRS estimates that one out of five eligible workers don't claim the EITC. The EITC is widely considered the nation's largest and most effective anti-poverty program, annually lifting 6.6 million people out of poverty; half of whom are children; and

Whereas, increasing awareness about EITC can only serve to benefit members of our city's workforce by increasing their disposable income and improving the quality of life for Bradenton families; and

Whereas, the IRS works with national partners, community-based coalitions and thousands of local partners and governments. These partnerships provide free tax help, known as Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), and education about EITC; and

Whereas, the Center for Financial Stability of the Manatee Community Action Agency provides free tax prep services to help Bradenton workers determine their eligibility and file and claim their EITC.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved that, I, Wayne H. Poston, as Mayor of the City of Bradenton, Florida, do hereby proclaim January 27, 2017, as Earned Income Tax Credit Awareness Day and urge all citizens to participate in this day of education and action to help promote EITC Awareness for working families.

Wayne H. Poston
Mayor
January 25, 2017