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#### Nova Southeastern University's 50th Anniversary Day

Whereas, Nova Southeastern University (NSU) was established in Fort Lauderdale, Florida on December 4, 1964, founded as Nova University of Advanced Technology and chartered as a graduate institution in the physical and social sciences; and

Whereas, in 1972, the university introduced its first off-campus course of study in education, soon becoming nationally recognized for its innovative distance education programs; and

Whereas, in 1978, Southeastern College of Osteopathic Medicine, was advocated by pioneer physicians committed to establishing a college of osteopathic medicine in the Southeast and chartered, later evolving into Southeastern University of Health and Sciences; and

Whereas, in 1994, Nova University merged with Southeastern University of Health and Sciences to form Nova Southeastern University; and

Whereas, today, NSU is the 9<sup>th</sup> largest private not-for-profit university in the nation with 27,000 students that is classified by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as one of only 37 universities, out of more than 4,000, that hold dual designation of both "high research" and "community engaged," and

Whereas, today, NSU employs more than 4,000 people, and has an economic impact on the Sunshine State of \$2.6 billion; and,

Whereas, NSU has graduated more than 162,000 students who have become professionals in such areas as health care, education, law, business, computer sciences, mental and social sciences, who continue to share a common identity and purpose that both support and are the focus of NSU's educational mission; and

Whereas, through five decades of explosive growth, NSU's reputation for academic excellence, research, and innovation has grown on its sprawling 314 acre Fort Lauderdale-Davie campus and throughout Florida in six cities, the United States and nine countries around the world.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK C ORTIS,** by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Pembroke Pines, do hereby proclaim the fourth day of December 2014, as:

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and ask that the residents of Pembroke Pines pay tribute to the contributions that Nova Southeastern University has made to the Broward County Community.

Mayor City Clerk