THE CITY OF SARASOTA Proclamation

WHEREAS, Reverend Timothy L. Solomon has pastored La Iglesia de los Hermanos of Sarasota since 2002, and first founded this Brethren Hispanic congregation 25 years ago with his wife Janet, who began the work as a bilingual Sunday School class for children; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Timothy L. Solomon was raised on the Brethren Mission fields of Argentina and Colombia, and Reverend and Mrs. Solomon then served as Brethren missionaries in Colombia, South America, have launched the Seminario Teologico Sudamericano of Florida, and have also worked together at the Office of the President of Campus Crusade for Christ International and with the Waodani people of Ecuador, and he is a board member of I-TEC, Indigenous Peoples Technology and Education Center; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Timothy L. Solomon has earned a Master of Theology degree from The Ashland Theological Seminary and currently serves as a trustee of Ashland University; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Timothy L. Solomon has opened and managed Christian bookstores in IN, MI, OH, and IL, and served 8 years as Producer of The Brethren Hour International Radio Broadcast for Dr. J.D. Hamel and has spent 11 years in Christian radio with WKZM in Florida, WCDR Radio in Ohio and also aided in starting the JOYFM Radio Network and is a board member of Reflexiones ministry; and

WHEREAS, Reverend and Mrs. Solomon served as Ministry Associates together at First Christian Church of Ashland, Ohio and he also served as Associate Pastor of The First Brethren Church of Sarasota; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Timothy L. Solomon is officially ordained as a Brethren pastor on this date and is the current moderator of the Florida Brethren District, celebrating this event at the Florida District Conference, with the 25th anniversary of the founding of his Sarasota Brethren congregation, La Iglesia de los Hermanos.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of Sarasota, Florida, and on behalf of the citizens of our community, takes great pride in recognizing February 27, 2005 as

"Reverend Timothy L. Solomon Day"

a day of special importance and worthy of the recognition of the citizens of the City of Sarasota.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sarasota to be affixed this 27th day of February 2005.

Richard F. Martin, Mayor of Sarasota

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Billy E. Robinson, City Auditor and Clerk

ATTEST: