



CITY OF TAMPA

— OFFICE OF THE MAYOR —

Jane Castor, Mayor

March 6, 2023

Lindsay M. Warfield, Director
Florida State Thespian Society
4522 West Village Drive, #307
Tampa, Florida 33624

Dear Ms. Warfield,

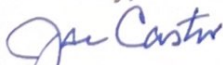
It gives me great pleasure to again welcome you and the Florida State Thespian Society, Inc. to Tampa, Florida for the **Florida State Thespian Festival 2023** on March 15-18, 2023, featuring the theme *A Place for Us!*, and held at the Tampa Convention Center, the David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts, and The Tampa Theatre. We are pleased to be given another opportunity to host this exciting event that has been held in Tampa for over thirty consecutive years and we thank the organizers for their commitment to ensuring a successful festival and pleasurable visit.

The arts, including theatre, are a highly valued entity in any community and they make cities vibrant and successful. Organizations such as the Florida State Thespians Society ensures students are afforded opportunities for growth and development in the arts as well as other goals, and it exposes them to limitless possibilities for their future.

Tampa offers a unique, exciting experience for all its visitors, and our rich history, entertainment venues, museums, parks, and restaurants ensure a memorable visit. For those of you who are visiting for the first time, I hope you will have the opportunity to experience the many cultural and historical venues our city has to offer. Whether you visit one of our landmark attractions, ride the streetcar from downtown to Sparkman Wharf and Historic Ybor City, stroll along Tampa's Riverwalk or Bayshore Boulevard, enjoy a meal at one of our fine restaurants or visit our many first-class shopping areas, we are sure you will find your stay to be an unforgettable experience.

Again, on behalf of our citizens, I extend a warm welcome and wish each of you an enjoyable and memorable time in Tampa.

Sincerely,


Jane Castor