

PROCLAMATION

DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2019, AS A MONTH OF APPRECIATION FOR DR. STEPHEN FAHERTY AND MR. GLENN HERAN

WHEREAS, this month more than 34,000 former City of Vero Beach electric customers, more than 21,000 of whom live and work outside the municipal limits of the City, are now being served by Florida Power and Light and are getting bills reflecting substantially lower rates for their electricity; and

WHEREAS, the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners has long held that there was no more important single thing that could be done for economic development in Indian River County than for all electric customers to receive low FPL rates; and

WHEREAS, many people worked hard to make it possible for all County residents to benefit from lower electric rates, but the efforts of two County citizens, Dr. Stephen Faherty and Mr. Glenn Heran, who worked tirelessly for over ten years to get low rates for all, were indispensable for the successful transfer of electric services from the City of Vero Beach to FPL; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Faherty, a county customer of Vero Electric, was driven by the idea that Taxation Without Representation was anathema to American principles; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Heran was motivated by the belief that while the government has many important functions, electricity is a commodity that the private sector is able to provide much more effectively and efficiently than government; and

WHEREAS, both Dr. Faherty and Mr. Heran, proponents of limited government, understand that for limited government to work and for American democracy to prosper, self-government, as exemplified by their work on the electric issue, is necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA that the month of February 2019, be designated as Dr. Stephen Faherty and Mr. Glenn Heran Appreciation Month in Indian River County, and the Board encourages all citizens, especially those now enjoying significantly lower electric rates, to thank them for their more than ten years of tireless work, which helped to make this possible.

Adopted this 22nd day of January, 2019.

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