

# PROCLAMATION

## HONORING BOB SOLARI, COMMISSIONER OF DISTRICT 5

**WHEREAS**, Bob Solari was elected to the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners by the citizens of Indian River County in 2008, and has served tirelessly with distinction for 12 years (three terms); and

**WHEREAS**, during his longstanding service, Bob's stellar leadership has resulted in profound and significant accomplishments, such as streamlining operations by sunseting 13 unnecessary committees; starting grassroots opposition to the 7/50 movement; working with the Commission and activists Glenn Heran and Dr. Stephen Faherty to sell Vero Electric; opposing expansion of All Aboard Florida/Brightline and advocating for critical safety improvements; supporting amelioration of environmental damage to the Lagoon; devoting time to improving the Gifford community's infrastructure and the relationship between Gifford and the Board of County Commissioners; upon recognizing the urgency of the damage done from biosolids, leading the effort to restore Blue Cypress Lake to health; and supporting a well-run Utilities Enterprise Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, Bob's contributions included serving on the Board of Trustees of the Law Library, Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, Metropolitan Planning Organization, Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board, St. Johns River Alliance, and the Federal Committee of the Florida Association of Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, Bob was successful in helping the County negotiate the purchase of the Dodgertown Golf Course; was awarded the "Fiscal Conservative" award by the Taxpayer's Association; was instrumental in terminating Sebastian and Sea Oaks water and wastewater surcharges; and authored the Religious Freedom Proclamation, which recognized everyone's right to worship; and

**WHEREAS**, Bob represented a source of integrity and collegiality, always treating each member of the Commission with respect regardless of whether he was able to achieve consensus. He remained consistent and constructive in his fiscal conservativeness, and this unfailing sense of stewardship of the tax payer's dollar benefited each and every resident of Indian River County.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that the Board, in recognition of his numerous contributions and distinguished service to this community, expresses its appreciation to Bob Solari, and his fellow Board members wish him the very best in his future endeavors.

Adopted this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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