

# PROCLAMATION

## HONORING ERIC J. SEYMOUR

**WHEREAS**, Indian River County celebrates African American Pioneers who, through their service in the business, public, and elected arenas, have paved the way for this and future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, Eric J. Seymour, a native son of Vero Beach and graduate of Vero Beach High School and Delaware State University, is an accomplished scholar and athlete; and

**WHEREAS**, Eric started his administrative career as Assistant Principal and Adult Education Counselor at Vero Beach High School, progressing to Assistant Principal at Lincoln Park Academy and subsequent recognition as the State of Florida's 2003 Assistant Principal of the Year; and

**WHEREAS**, as a Principal, Eric oversaw the conversion of Northport Middle to a K-8 school, and then led Vero Beach High School to its first-ever Florida Department of Education "A" rating; and

**WHEREAS**, Eric currently serves as the Attendance Specialist for the School District of Indian River County and director of *Hear My Story*, a motivational speaker program sharing true life stories that inspire struggling students to grow and learn; and

**WHEREAS**, Eric is a multi-year member of an Education Committee chaired by Congressman Bill Posey and tasked with developing strategies to improve student achievement and overall school performance; and

**WHEREAS**, Eric has served as an Executive Board Member of the Saint Lucie County United Way and Chamber of Commerce and as a longtime member of the National Association of Secondary School Administrators, where he earned his keen reputation as a proactive problem-solver.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that the pioneer spirit and civic contributions of Eric J. Seymour have greatly enriched Indian River County and the Treasure Coast, and that the Board extends its sincere thanks for his outstanding efforts.

Adopted this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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