

# PROCLAMATION

## HONORING MAJOR MILO THORNTON OF THE INDIAN RIVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

**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**, Major Milo Thornton was born on the Treasure Coast on February 13, 1978, and became a permanent resident of Indian River County in 1994 before graduating from Sebastian River High School and earning associate and bachelor's degrees from Indian River State College; and

**WHEREAS**, after beginning his law enforcement career in 1997, Milo joined the Indian River County Sheriff's Office as a patrolman and was swiftly promoted through the ranks of sergeant, lieutenant, and captain, until achieving the rank of major in 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, Milo is a graduate of the Command Officers Development Course at the University of Louisville's Southern Police Institute; a graduate of The Florida Department of Law Enforcement Leadership Academy; and a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police; and

**WHEREAS**, Milo has served as an adjunct instructor at the Indian River State College Public Safety Training Complex for 14 years, teaching topics such as Introduction to Law Enforcement, Criminal Investigations, Crime Scene to Court Room, Interviewing & Report Writing, and Advanced Studies in Organized Crime; and

**WHEREAS**, Milo further contributes to his community as a volunteer board member on several non-profit and charitable organizations, and as a member of the Sunrise Rotary of Vero Beach.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that the pioneer spirit and civic contributions of Major Milo Thornton have greatly enriched Indian River County and the Treasure Coast, and that the Board extends its sincere thanks for his outstanding efforts and trailblazing career with the Sheriff's Office.

Adopted this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

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

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