

# *Proclamation*

## **HONORING PAUL FAFEITA ON LIFETIME OF SERVICE TO INDIAN RIVER COUNTY**

*Whereas*, after graduating from Vero Beach High School in 1968, Paul Fafeita served our Country in the United States Marine Corps during two tours in Vietnam; and

*Whereas*, Paul assisted the residents of Indian River County over a lengthy career with the Sheriff's office, retiring as a Captain after more than 30 years; and

*Whereas*, Paul continued his involvement as the Local Lodge 69 President, State Officer of the Fraternal Order of Police, and co-founder of Fight Drug Abuse of Indian River County; and

*Whereas*, Paul has been a driving force in local coastal and clean water conservation efforts as President and State Officer of the Treasure Coast Chapter of the Coastal Conservation Association, and as founding President of the Clean Water Coalition of Indian River County; and

*Whereas*, Paul has given his all to the mission of cleaning up our lagoon and stemming the flow of pollutants that impair the estuary; and

*Whereas*, Paul has provided input and maintained oversight on important water and safety initiatives pertaining to our lagoon, including leading the ban on application of potentially harmful biosolids and encouraging a stop to the use of glyphosate for weed control; and

*Whereas*, Paul's waterborne tours aboard his pontoon boat have educated countless people on the importance of restoring sea grass cover while generating local, national, and international stories on our diverse estuary.

*Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Board of County Commissioners of Indian River County, Florida*, that the Board applauds the contributions Captain Paul Fafeita has made to the citizenry of Indian River County and wishes him well in his future endeavors.

Adopted this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.

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

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