

PROCLAMATION

HONORING EVE PRETE ON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE INDIAN RIVER COUNTY OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR WITH 27 YEARS AND 2 MONTHS OF SERVICE

WHEREAS, Eve Prete will retire from the Indian River County Tax Collector's Office on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Eve has been employed with the Tax Collector's Office since October 20, 1994, starting her career as an accountant and finishing as Director of Finance; and

WHEREAS, Eve earned widespread admiration from current and former elected officials and her many co-workers; and

WHEREAS, Eve has been praised by Tax Collector Carole Jean Jordan, who stated that "Eve will be greatly missed and never replaced because she brought not only her skill but a patience and grace not often seen in the business world...her tenure in the finance department resulted in consistent financial excellence, yearly finance awards, and superior audits"; and

WHEREAS, Eve was lauded by former Tax Collectors Charles Sembler and Karl Zimmermann and former Assistant Tax Collector Jeff Smith, who emphasized her kindness, intelligence, extensive financial credentials, and tremendous problem-solving skills; and

WHEREAS, Eve, over her long tenure, adapted to multiple financial software conversions, expertly meeting each of these time-consuming challenges in a steady, methodical fashion; and

WHEREAS, Eve, using her remarkable talents as a teacher and mentor, built highly-skilled teams capable of multi-tasking under pressure and proved herself a true leader by leaving her team well-trained and in good hands to carry on after her retirement; and

WHEREAS, Eve clearly served the public, this County, and the State of Florida with integrity, dedication, and an unsurpassed work ethic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the Board applauds Eve Prete's efforts on behalf of the Tax Collector's Office, expresses its sincere appreciation for her devoted service, and extends heartfelt wishes for success in her future endeavors.

Adopted this 14th day of December, 2021.

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

Peter D. O'Bryan, Chairman