Jason E. Brown County Administrator 1801 27th Street Vero Beach, FL 32960

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Chairman Peter D. O'Bryan Vice-Chairman Joe Earman Commissioner Susan Adams Commissioner Joseph E. Flescher Commissioner Laura Moss

Dear Honorable Commissioners:

In 2016, I received the opportunity of a lifetime to serve as the County Administrator for Indian River County. I was and remain humbled by the responsibility to work each day to manage the organization following the leadership of the Board in an effort to provide the best possible services to Indian River County residents. Over the last six plus years working as a team, we have made significant accomplishments in many areas including:

- Construction of state of the art projects to treat stormwater in the County to help improve water quality in the Indian River Lagoon, such Osprey Acres, which serves as a recreational amenity and upland habitat preserve as well.
- Acquisition and renovation of the first permanent North County Offices located on U.S. 1 in Sebastian. This facility houses services for the Tax Collector, Clerk of Court, Property Appraiser, Veteran's Services and Utilities providing more convenient access to our rapidly growing North County areas.
- Development and continued improvement of a Critical Incident Stress Management policy and services to support our first responders in Fire Rescue.
- Agreement with MLB to operate the Jackie Robinson Training Complex (formerly Historic Dodgertown) as a year-round hub of amateur development initiatives for MLB as well as numerous baseball, softball and other sport tournaments attracting visitors from across the country.
- Construction of several projects outlined in the Gifford Neighborhood Plan to improve this vital part of our County.
- Continued development of access improvements and innovative projects for the County's conservation lands.
- Secured agreement for \$31 million in railroad crossing safety improvement to help ensure that Brightline crossings in the County are as safe as possible.
- Construction of Septic to Sewer projects including North Sebastian Phase 1, West Wabasso Phase
 2 and Roseland, reducing harmful nutrient loading in the Indian River Lagoon.

While this experience has been tremendously rewarding, at this time I wish to return to my roots in governmental finance and accounting. This will allow me to utilize my strongest skillset and abilities to continue to serve the public.

I treasure the relationships that I have with you and so many other members of our community. Over the last twenty-five (25) years I have been blessed to have the chance work with some amazing coworkers and community partners to serve the public and impact the quality of life in the place where I was born and raised. I hereby resign as County Administrator. In order to provide time for transition planning, I will continue to serve in this role through December 31, 2022.

I would like to thank the Board for all of your guidance, advice and support throughout the years. It has truly been an honor to learn from and serve with you.

Sincerely,

Jason E. Brown