## **PROCLAMATION**

## HONORING KATHRYN L. BOWDOIN, ALSO KNOWN AS KATHRYN L. THOMAS, ON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE INDIAN RIVER COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

**WHEREAS**, Kathryn L. Bowdoin, also known as Kathryn L. Thomas, has retired from the Tax Collector's Office of Indian River County effective June 29, 2018; and

**WHEREAS,** she has been employed with the Tax Collector's Office of Indian River County beginning October 23, 1983 through June 2, 1991, the Clerk of the Circuit Court from June 3, 1991 through July 15, 2005 and rejoined the Tax Collector's Office July 18, 2005 until June 29, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Kathy began her career with the Tax Collector's office as the switchboard operator. She was promoted to the Tax and License Department and worked there until she transferred to the Clerk's office in 1991; and

**WHEREAS,** While working for the Clerk of Court, Kathy worked in the Traffic/Misdemeanor Division, working with Judge Balsiger, Judge Wild and Judge Morgan; and

WHEREAS, during her 14 year career at the Clerk's office, Kathy began as a Deputy Clerk, was promoted to Court Specialist II and then to Court Specialist III (the highest level of Specialist) in 1996; and

**WHEREAS,** Kathy was a dedicated deputy clerk who provided courteous, professional and compassionate service to all including people who had fallen on hard times; and

**WHEREAS**, Kathy was highly respected by the Judges, Attorneys and co-workers of the Clerk's Office; and

**WHEREAS,** When Kathy returned to the Tax Collector's Office in 2005, she was hired as a Senior Tax Clerk. Through her hard work and dedication, she was promoted to Assistant Director of Taxes and Licenses before her retirement in June of 2018. Kathy's work ethic, knowledge, loyalty and outstanding customer service will be missed by both her co-workers and the taxpayers of Indian River County; and

**WHEREAS,** she has served this County, the State of Florida, and the public with distinction and selflessness. During her years of service, she was greatly appreciated by Clerks Jeff Barton and Jeff Smith, Tax Collectors Gene Morris, Charles Sembler and Carole Jean Jordan and her co-workers alike.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the Board applauds her efforts on behalf of the Tax Collector's Office, and the Board wishes to express its sincere appreciation for the dedicated service she has given to Indian River County for the last *34 years and eight months*.

Adopted this 9th day of July, 2019.	BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA
	Bob Solari, Chairman