

PROCLAMATION

DESIGNATING SEAN SEXTON AS THE POET LAUREATE OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, Sean Sexton is a third generation pioneer resident of Indian River County who has been writing poetry for over 40 years, and is affectionately known as 'The Cowboy Poet'; and,

WHEREAS, Sean Sexton is recognized throughout Florida and nationally for his many beautiful and heartfelt poems fitting with the character and values of Indian River County including family, neighbors, farm and ranch life, nature, and the passing of seasons; and,

WHEREAS, Sean Sexton has shared his poems to promote awareness of Indian River County and the appreciation of poetry at neighborly gatherings, special occasions, public workshops, and exhibits; and

WHEREAS, the Indian River County Poet Laureate is an honorary position and carries with it the esteem and appreciation of the citizens of Indian River County; and,

WHEREAS, Indian River County may call upon its Poet Laureate to compose poems for County occasions and other government events worthy of commemoration; and,

WHEREAS, the Laura (Riding) Jackson Foundation, a 501C3 organization, recommends the Board of County Commissioners designate Sean Sexton as Indian River County's Poet Laureate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA with appreciation and admiration, on this day recognize Sean Sexton as the Poet Laureate of Indian River County, Florida, effective September 1, 2020.

Adopted this 13th day of October, 2020.

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

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