



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

WALK OF
FAME

2024
NOMINATIONS

2024 WALK OF FAME COMMITTEE
Friday, February 16, 2023, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
528 NW 2nd Street, Third Floor, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Attendance in person is required to speak on an
item.

AGENDA

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Call Meeting to Order
- III. Approval of February 24, 2023, Minutes
- IV. Selection of Chair for 2024
- V. Discussion of 2024 Walk of Fame Nominations
- VI. 2024 Walk of Fame Selections
- VII. Other Matters of Interest or Concern
- VIII. Adjourn

Committee Members:

Lillian Small
Robert Lochrie
Genia Ellis
George Hanbury
Alex Bagwell (O'Connor)
Patrick Shavloske
Gale Butler

Purpose: The purpose of the Walk of Fame Committee is to review nominations for the award and to provide a recommendation to the City Commission for winners to be selected

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CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
2023 WALK OF FAME COMMITTEE
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2023, 2:00 PM TO 4:00 PM
CITY HALL – 8TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

Committee Members Present

Lillian Small
Robert Lochrie
Genia Ellis
Alex Bagwell
Patrick Shavloske
Gail Butler
George Hanbury

Staff Present

Ingrid Kindbom, City Staff Liaison

Also Present:

Ilona M. Holmes, NAACP
Linda Brown, Guest NAACP
Lisa Scott Founds, President and CEO of Winterfest
Micki Scavone, General Manager of Carr Workplaces
Gary Chisling, Vice President of Team Horner
Dennis Ulmer
Grant Smith
Renee K. Quinn, President and CEO QuinnProQuo
Stephen McWilliam
Judy Stern
Kathy Salerno, Director of Community Affairs at Broward Health
Carla Blair, Recording Secretary, Prototype-Inc

I. Welcome and Introductions

Ingrid Kindbom introduced herself as Staff Liaison and noted she was filling in for Sarah Spurlock, Nighttime Economy Manager.

II. Call Meeting to Order

Ms. Kindbom called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. Roll call was done and there was a quorum.

III. Approval of the February 28, 2022, Minutes

Motion made by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Lochrie to approve the February 28, 2022, minutes. In a voice vote, the **motion passed** unanimously.

IV. Selection of Chair for 2023

Motion made by Ms. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Hanbury to nominate Robert Lochrie as Chair. In a voice vote, the **motion passed** unanimously.

Roll was called and there was a quorum.

V. Discussion of 2022 Walk of Fame Nominations

Chair Lochrie provided background on the process and noted that they typically had a first run and then a second run to narrow down the nominees. He stated they had selected four (4) winners the last few years. He added that the public may present their nominees before the Committee discusses. He acknowledged the Committee had read all submitted materials.

Ms. Ilona M. Holmes, retired Broward County Circuit Judge and member of the NAACP, nominated Eula Johnson. She spoke on her accomplishments including attempts to integrate Fort Lauderdale beaches in the 1960s. Additionally, Ms. Johnson owned two gas stations and a grocery store.

Mr. Hanbury stated there were a lot of great candidates but recommended this nominee be selected.

MOTION made by Mr. Hanbury, seconded by Mr. Shavloske to recognize Eula Johnson as a 2023 Walk of Fame Honoree. In a voice vote, the **motion passed** unanimously.

Ms. Lisa Scott, President and CEO of Winterfest, nominated Shane Strum. She discussed his accomplishments including leadership within the community and being a member on the Winterfest Board for over 20 years. She also spoke about his work as CEO of Broward Health including vaccinations and development of a mobile medical RV.

Ms. Micki Scavone, General Manager of Carr Workplaces, also spoke in support of Mr. Strum. She shared a personal story in connection to Mr. Strum.

Ms. Renee Quinn, President and CEO of QuinnProQuo, also spoke in support of Mr. Strum.

Mr. Dennis Ulmer nominated Henry Kinney. He spoke about Mr. Kinney's accomplishments including his work on the tunnel referendum and contribution to economic growth.

Mr. Gary Chisling, Vice President of Team Horner, spoke about Dr. Bill Kent's accomplishments including his commitment to Team Horner, International Swimming Hall of Fame, scholarships, and water safety.

Mr. Grant Smith nominated Michael Egan. He spoke about Mr. Egan's accomplishments including his impact as a business owner of Alamo Rent a Car, Broward Center for Performing Arts, and donor to the Swimming Hall of Fame.

Mr. Stephen McWilliam nominated Frank Adderley. He spoke about Mr. Adderley's accomplishments and leadership within the Fort Lauderdale Police Department.

Ms. Judy Stern also spoke about Mr. Adderley's nomination and his work within the Fort Lauderdale community.

Ms. Kathy Salerno, Director of Community Affairs at Broward Health, spoke about Mr. Strum's nomination and highlighted his work to increase access to healthcare for underserved populations.

VI. 2023 Walk of Fame Selections

Committee discussed procedures for ranking. Chair Lochrie recommended ranking Top 8, with #8 being the highest choice. Chair Lochrie noted Ms. Johnson has already been selected at spot #8.

Committee discussed various nominees and their accomplishments.

Ms. Kindbom tallied the scores and noted the top four choices were: Eula Johnson, Shane Strum, Frank Adderley, and Chuck Black. Ms. Ellis noted Mr. Black was deceased and spoke about some of his accomplishments.

Chair Lochrie asked Ms. Kindbom to read the additional names, in order of descending scores.

Discussion ensued about the nominees, criteria for decision making, scoring, and whether to consider a fifth nominee.

Chair Lochrie listed their top five choices, in no order: Eula Johnson, Shane Strum, Frank Adderley, Chuck Black, and Michael Egan.

MOTION made by Mr. Hanbury, seconded by Mr. Shavloske to nominate a fifth 2023 Walk of Fame Honoree. In a voice vote, the **motion passed** unanimously.

Ms. Kindbom stated the five nominees would go to the City Commission for consideration on March 8, 2023.

VII. Other Matters of Interest or Concern

None.

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VIII. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 PM.

[Minutes prepared by TBaclawski, Prototype Inc.]

City of Fort Lauderdale

Walk of Fame Honorees (2010 – 2023)

2023

Eula Johnson

Shane Strum

Frank Adderley

Chuck Black

Michael Egan

2022

Ivy Cromatie Stranahan

James A. Dallas, Sr.

William Walker

Lisa Scott-Founds

2021

Sylvia Aldridge

Eugenia Duncan Ellis

Michael E. Hurst

John D. MacDonald

2019

Walter Banks

Levi Henry

The Perry Family

Stan Smoker

2018

Evelyn Fortune Bartlett

Beauregard Cummings

Elliott Miley Hendricks, M.D.

Robert B. "Buddy" Lochrie Jr.

2017

Dr. George L. Hanbury, II

Kaye Pearson

The Motwani Family

The Zloch Brothers

2016

George L. Burrows, Sr.

Nicki Englander Grossman

Rev. Monsignor Vincent T. Kelly

2015

Hugh Taylor Birch

Ina Lee

Dr. Ron O'Brien

Tim Schiavone

2014

"Crazy" Gregg Newell

Jerome "Jerry" Faber

John Amodeo

2013

W. George Allen

The Gill Family

Jack Drury

2012

H. Wayne Huizenga

Jimmy Evert

Chris Evert

Woody Woodbury

2011

City of Fort Lauderdale

Louise Crocco

Brent Jett

Marcia Pinder

Rick Shaw

George Smith

2010

Connie Francis

City of Fort Lauderdale
2024 Walk of Fame Nominees

Michael Albetta	J.W. Arpin
Ciara Bostick	Don Champion
Kathleen Cannon	Rita & Rick Case
Claudia Castillo	Valerie Cianci
Maxence Doytier	Bill Feinberg
Jim Hammond	Guy Harvey
Eileen Helfer	Jerry Holland
Dr. William (Bill) Kent	John & Elizabeth King Weaver
Renee Korbel Quinn	Dan Lindblade
Jacqueline Lorber	Carlton B. Moore
Joe O'Donnel	Bruce G. Roberts
Daphnee Sainvil	Beth Shaw
Michael Solomon	Joy Strempack
Norman Tripp	Steve Trotter
Lisa Vecchi	Dr. John Wensveen
Wendy Wills	

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1. Nominated Honoree information:

Name of Nominated Honoree: Michael Albetta
Address: 1117 NE 10 Avenue
City: Fort Lauderdale
State: Florida
Zip Code: 33301
Phone: (954) 560-8649
Email Address: albettam@icloud.com

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Michael Albetta has been exercising and facilitating volunteerism in the City of Fort Lauderdale for over a decade with a wide range of positive outcomes. His activism on behalf of our City and our neighbors meets numerous Walk of Fame key criteria areas: Contributing to the quality of life for our citizens, Fostering the spirit of our community, and Bringing positive recognition to the City, locally or nationally.

For 8 years Michael Albetta has played a major role in the Annual Turkey giveaway hosted at Sanctuary Church. Annually, this event provides holiday meals to over 1,000 local families. Michael's role in planning

and carrying out this event year after year contributes to the quality of life for our citizens by ensuring families in need are provided meals over the holiday. More, Michael's carrying out of his volunteer role fosters the spirit of our community by bringing together individuals and organizations annually to volunteer, sponsor, and feel a sense of ownership for this event.

Through his leadership of the Lake Ridge Civic Association and role on the Board of Directors for the CFLCA, Michael excels at bringing neighbors, entities, and leaders together for joint collaborations. Examples of this include planning and carrying out numerous community clean-ups in blighted areas across the City, coordinating events for the purpose of building community relations such as CFLCA social and educational events, annual association events, as well as serving as Assistant Vice Chair of Community Engagement relating to the USS Fort Lauderdale.

Michael's dedication to civic responsibility is both never-ending and contagious. Throughout his years volunteering in Fort Lauderdale he has helped to register thousands of voters, including those who are homeless. Michael has a way of aligning himself with other individuals who have desire and willingness to serve the community. For example, through his work with St. Anthony's Homeless Ministries he has assisted in connecting single mothers and their families with permanent housing. Equally impressive Michael has the ability to help generate financial contributions from community members. From 2010-2017 during his role as a Board Member for Children's Diagnostic Treatment Center Michael helped to raise over \$60,000 in funds by working side by side with other community members.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Michael Albetta deserves this award because for years he has tirelessly, and sometimes even thanklessly, served as a volunteer with the intention of bringing good to our community. Michael has the ability to come together with other neighborhood leaders, local officials, and staff while putting differences aside to impart lasting positive impacts in our community. Michael acts not in furtherance of his own legacy, but to further the legacy of our City and what we can accomplish together. Diversity and inclusion are at the core of what Michael embeds in everything he does. By embracing diversity of thought Michael is always willing and able to work with individuals for the common good of our community. A handshake and a simple thank you are more than enough to convey gratitude for Michael's efforts and bring him to tears. Earning this recognition would do far more, this award would provide him and those who love him with a tangible form of recognition to memorialize every hour of volunteering he has committed and to memorialize every life he has impacted in a fashion as lasting as the impacts he has made.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Community Involvement:

- *Member, Saint Anthony Catholic Church Homeless Ministry, Fort Lauderdale
- *Board Member, Children's Diagnostic and Treatment Center. Raised over \$60,000 in funds for the Center, 2010 – 2017
- *Board Member, Crime Stoppers Broward County, 2010 – 2018
- *Current President and Board Member, Lake Ridge Civic Association
- *Second Vice President, Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Association
- *Current Member, Citizens' Committee of Recognition 2018-Present
- *Elected member of Broward Democratic Executive Committee
- *Regional Director, Florida LGBT Democratic Caucus
- *Past President, Florida LGBT Democratic Caucus
- *Past President, Dolphin Democrats of Broward County
- *On numerous occasions Michael Albetta has been recognized for his efforts relating to the Annual Turkey

Giveaway via Proclamation. I have attached a few but not all here.

5. This nomination was submitted by:

Name: Christina Currie
Phone number: (954) 993-1134
Email Address: cmc@law-lc.com

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1. Nominated Honoree information:

Name of Nominated J.W. Arpin
Honoree:
Address: 1044
City Fort Lauderdale
State Florida
Zip Code: 33304
Phone: (954) 591-9229
Email Address: Joshuawarpin@gmail.com

2. Please describe the nominee’s accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

JW and the Arpin family have been an integral part of Lauderdale and its history since 1908. JW is the 5th generation owner/operator of the city’s oldest contracting-engineering, Arpin & Sons, that specializes in historic preservation and high-end construction. Named 2023 “Top 40 under 40” by The American Woodworking Network and considered one of the foremost experts on Dade County Pine, JW is a staunch supporter of historic preservation in South Florida and a senior board member with The Broward Trust for Historic Preservation. In the upcoming 2024 year, he is slated to perform historic work on The Stranahan House and The Hillsboro Inlet Lighthouse. He is also assisting The Pompano Beach historical society with

restoration work on the remaining Kester cottages and their Dade County Pine floors. In the recent past, he has performed work on numerous historically significant homes and places such as: The Maroone's Villa Poinciana in Idlewyld, The Hollywood Women's Club, Sailboat Bend residences, Mizner and Abreu designs, and more. He is also slated to speak about Fort Lauderdale history and its relationship with Dade County Pine in the coming months. JW's reputation and work is well-known within the local historical community and with a number of the city's wealthiest and most influential residents. His clientele list is a "who's who" of Lauderdale. In addition to historic preservation and high-end contracting, JW is working with scientists from US Forestry to research and document the singularly unique traits of the rarest American Pine lumber species in existence found nowhere else outside of SFL. And his family accounts/stories about old Lauderdale are unparalleled.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

In his generation, you would have an awfully hard time finding anyone in Broward with a comparable background and resume. JW's career and motivations revolve around the preservation, protection, documentation, and advocacy for Fort Lauderdale and Broward County history. His direction and efforts have been substantiated and encouraged by a nationally known local (now deceased), Randy Shropshire of Old Florida Lumber. Who labeled JW as the future of historic preservation, Dade County Pine expertise, and fine woodworking in the area. JW considers this the ultimate compliment and acknowledgment of his work moving forward.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

4th Generation Lauderdale native
Saint Thomas Aquinas HS '02
Wake Forest University '06
2023 Top 40 Under 40 in American Woodworking
Featured Maker at the 2023 National Historic Preservation Society Auction (Curly Dade County Pine Table)
Senior Board Member Broward Trust for Historic Preservation
Dade County Pine Expert
Historic Preservation Specialist-Consultant

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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1. Nominated Honoree information:

Name of Nominated Honoree: Dr. Ciara Bostick
Address: 3701 NW 75th Terrace
City: Fort Lauderdale
State: Florida
Zip Code: 33319
Phone: (954) 673-8462
Email Address: ciarabostick@gmail.com

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Providing a positive outlook for the future of our youth

Dr. Ciara L. Bostick is a motivational speaker, professor, author, and a leadership trainer, specializing in millennial leadership and professional development. Her charismatic and interactive approach allows her to strategically impact audiences and corporations allowing them to unleash their personal power to dominate personally and professionally.

Known as, "The Girls Guru", Dr. Ciara established a nonprofit organization, God's Gift, Inc., whose mission is

providing a healthy environment for girls ages 7-17, offering a faith-based curriculum focusing on Faith, Leadership, Confidence, and Self-Worth. Dr. Ciara has partnered with local community partners to create afterschool programs and summer camps for girls of color in South Florida. To date, her organization has established international chapters in Uganda, Kenya, and Tanzania. She is the author of, "Welcome To Womanhood: A Pre-Teen Survival Guide", which was released February 2016. In 2020, she established Leadership Preparatory Academy, a 6th-12th private Christian school for girls. Dr. Ciara is also the Founder and CEO of C. Leads Consulting, LLC, a boutique consulting firm specializing in leadership training, professional development training, and non-profit management.

Dr. Ciara L. Bostick is a minister, motivational speaker, professor, author, and a leadership trainer, specializing in millennial leadership and professional development. Her charismatic and interactive approach allows her to strategically impact audiences and corporations allowing them to unleash their personal power to dominate personally and professionally. In 2016, she was named "Woman of Distinction" for the City of Lauderhill and also given a Proclamation from Mayor of her hometown of Fort Lauderdale, deeming March 15, 2016, "Dr. Ciara L. Bostick Day". Her Dissertation: "A Structural Model for African American Female Adolescents Through Self-Esteem and Leadership".

Founder of God's Gift, Inc. which is a international mentoring program for girls 7-17, that focuses on: leadership, faith, career development and training, college preparation, and most importantly helping girls to recognize their self-worth.

ACCOLADES AND AWARDS

- Florida Commission on the Status of Women Spirit of the Community Award 2022
- Legacy South Florida's "40 Under 40" Honoree 2020
- "Discover The Beauty Within Summit" Honoree 2020
- Miss Florida USA and Miss Florida Teen Pageant Judge 2019
- Leaders Recognizing Leaders "Distinguished Honoree Award" 2018
- City of Fort Lauderdale City Proclamation "Dr. Ciara L. Bostick Day" 2016
- Style In The City "Best Community Leader" 2016
- City of Lauderhill "Women of Distinction" 2016
- African American Achiever's Award Nominee 2013
- South Florida's "30 Under 30" Nominee 2012
- U.S. President Humanitarian Award 2006
- Community Service and Leadership Award Community Service and Leadership Award

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

It is with great pleasure, I nominate Dr. Ciara Bostick to be considered for this prestigious award. In recognition of her tireless efforts, outstanding leadership in the community and raising awareness across South Florida, she is more than deserving of this award. First, she is dedicated, hardworking and focused on continuously learning and developing ideas to make her community great.

In many ways Ciara has exceeded challenging requirements and expectations for the award. For numerous years she has worked with stakeholders to organize and participate in numerous volunteer activities throughout the community. A tireless advocate for community service and a avenue for young girls in Broward County.

Dr. Ciara has dedicated her life to volunteer work, community programs, and youth outreach. She has used her expertise and knowledge in her volunteer work to become the overachiever in being an advocate for young ladies.

Ciara is a staple in this community, I've never met someone who has made me more excited to meet and work with them toward a common goal. She is an inspiration, and well-loved by everyone who knows her.

Ciara is an inspiration, and well-loved by everyone who knows her. Because of these efforts, she is an instrumental individual in her community and is deserving of this award.

Dr. Ciara established a nonprofit organization, God's Gift, Inc., whose mission is providing a healthy environment for girls ages 7-17, offering a faith-based curriculum focusing on Faith, Leadership, Confidence, and Self-Worth. Dr. Ciara has partnered with local community partners to create afterschool programs and summer camps for girls of color in South Florida.

Dr. Ciara L. Bostick is a minister, motivational speaker, professor, author, and a leadership trainer, specializing in millennial leadership and professional development. Her charismatic and interactive approach allows her to strategically impact audiences and corporations allowing them to unleash their personal power to dominate personally and professionally.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

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Over the course of her professional career, Dr. Ciara has received numerous awards and has been recognized by local and national government officials, including Florida Governor Rick Scott and President Barack Obama in 2014.

Dr. Ciara currently holds a Bachelors degree in Communications from Florida Atlantic University with a minor in Sociology, a Master's degree in Leadership, and a Doctorate degree from Nova Southeastern University. Dr. Ciara is also a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. She is also the author of "Welcome To Womanhood: A Pre-Teen Survival Guide", which was released in February 2016. It ranked #12 on Amazon for several weeks since being released.

Dr. Ciara promotes young ladies living their purpose, fulfilling God's destiny, and shining brightly through good deeds. As a mentor and motivational speaker, one of her ultimate goals in life is to spread the message of self-worth to girls nationwide. Dr. Ciara believes that if you educate a girl, you educate a wife. When you educate a wife, you educate a mother- which eventually leads to educating a family.

Ciara is the founder of God's Gift, Inc. established to provide a healthy environment for girls ages 7-17 by offering mentoring programs and college preparation guidance. Founded on September 29, 2009, God's Gift, Inc. is a faith-based organization that promotes a healthy lifestyle for girls by providing mentoring programs, weekend retreats, career development and training, college preparation, and most importantly helping women and girls to recognize their self -worth.

Over the course of the last fourteen years, God's Gift, Inc. has partnered with Broward County Parks & Recreation to create afterschool programs and summer camps for girls of color throughout South Florida. Her BSO family is proud of her contributions on and off duty that are helping to shape our community's future.

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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1. Nominated Honoree information:

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Honoree:
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City Fort Lauderdale
State Florida
Zip Code: 33309
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Email Address: marketing@banyanair.com

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Don Campion, the esteemed proprietor of Banyan Air Service, is a paragon of excellence in the aviation industry and a devoted contributor to the Fort Lauderdale community. With an innovative approach to business, Mr. Campion has guided Banyan to unprecedented success and showcased an unwavering dedication to enhancing our City. His leadership is marked by a unique blend of business acumen and civic responsibility, epitomizing the qualities sought for the City of Fort Lauderdale Walk of Fame.

As the president of Banyan Air Service, one of four fixed-based operators at Fort Lauderdale Executive

Airport (FXE), Don collaborated closely with the Bahamian government, positioning Banyan as the "Gateway to the Bahamas" and the Executive Airport as the "Front Door" to the City for private flyers. He played a pivotal role in establishing FXE as an international gateway by negotiating after-hours operations with U.S. Customs & Border Protection, encouraging travelers to visit Fort Lauderdale around the clock. Banyan has a workforce of over 160 team members in the Fort Lauderdale area, making it one of the primary employers at FXE and a significant contributor to the Airport's economic impact on the local economy.

Annually, Banyan has hosted Challenge Air for Kids for over 25 years, providing special needs and terminally ill children the opportunity to experience flight. Mr. Campion also supports the local community through teammates' children's athletic teams, Banyan's softball and soccer teams, the International Swimming Hall of Fame, NSU Entrepreneur and Business Hall of Fame, Trustbridge Hospice Foundation, American Cancer Society, Susan G. Komen Foundation, Calvary Christian Academy, Heart2Heart Outreach of South Florida, National MS Society, Marian Center, and 4KIDS of South Florida.

In times of national crises, he offers hangar space for supplies, and Banyan coordinates flights nationwide to aid responding pilots and organizations. Additionally, he collaborates with students at the H. Wayne Huizenga College of Business and Entrepreneurship at Nova Southeastern University to develop a business supporting a rural community in Egbe, Nigeria. Don Campion's nomination for the Walk of Fame underscores his remarkable achievements and the positive impact he continues to make in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Mr. Don Campion exemplifies excellence in the aviation industry and remains a dedicated supporter of the Fort Lauderdale community. His profound impact reflects a passion for community enrichment and a spirit of generosity, contributing significantly to the future of youth, the quality of life for citizens, positive recognition for the City, and more. Grounded in values like customer focus, integrity, and teamwork, Don emphasizes the significance of honoring God and acknowledges the blessings that come to individuals and businesses upholding these principles. His commitment to the local youth, the City, and the general aviation community underscores his exceptional qualities.

Mr. Campion surpasses expectations in inspiring and educating young minds to explore opportunities within general aviation. He generously opens the doors of Banyan Air Service to organizations and schools, providing in-depth tours that showcase the intricate work of his team. Initiatives like 'Take Your Child to Work Day' and the annual career day at Banyan demonstrate his dedication to nurturing the interests of future professionals and igniting a passion for professions in Fort Lauderdale.

Under Don's leadership, Banyan prioritizes people over profits, building success on the foundation of trust and teamwork. His commitment to education, mentorship, and fostering a positive work environment distinguishes him as exceptionally deserving of recognition through this esteemed award.

Mr. Campion's recognitions further affirm his impact:

2007 - Banyan received the Community Appearance Award from the City of Ft. Lauderdale for the unique design of the Banyan terminal building.

2009 - Banyan received the International Business Award from the Greater Ft. Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce.

2009 - Inducted into the Entrepreneurial Excellence Hall of Fame at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University

2011 - Inducted into the Junior Achievement Hall of Fame

2011 Sun Sentinel Excalibur Broward Small Business Leader of the Year

2018 - FXE Achievements in Community Excellence Award

2019 - FXE Distinguished Service Award and City Proclamation for 40 years at FXE

2021 - Inducted into the Nova Southeastern University Entrepreneur and Business Hall of Fame, Voted the #1 FBO by Pro Pilot magazine and FAA Customer Service Excellence Award.

2022 - FXE Green Champion Award

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Don Campion was born to medical missionary parents in Nigeria, West Africa, where he routinely flew aboard small aircraft to attend a Protestant American boarding school. After high school in Nigeria, Don moved to Canada to attend Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology, a four-year program of aviation courses that also included a commercial, multi-engine pilot's license followed by one year of aircraft maintenance at Centennial College in Toronto. In 1979, Don moved to South Florida and contracted as a co-pilot for a small charter operation flying primarily to the Bahamas. Don quickly realized there was an opportunity for a maintenance facility and co-founded Banyan Air Service in a small hangar servicing aircraft at Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport. Don and his wife, Sueanne, are project leaders in revitalizing a small 100-bed rural hospital and College of Nursing in Egbe, Nigeria.

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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2024 WALK OF FAME HONOREE NOMINATION FORM

The City established the Walk of Fame in 2010 at the inaugural Great American Beach Party to pay tribute to the legendary Connie Francis on the 50th Anniversary of “Where the Boys Are,” the 1960 film which made Fort Lauderdale an overnight sensation and a “must see” destination for visitors.

Walk of Fame Honorees are recognized by making sustained, positive impacts in one or more of the areas listed below but not limited to:

- Providing a positive outlook for the future of our youth,
- Contributing to the quality of life for our citizens,
- Fostering the spirit of our community,
- Bringing positive recognition to the City, locally or nationally,
- Making Fort Lauderdale a place to live, work, or play,
- Encouraging people to visit Fort Lauderdale as a destination of choice.

As part of the awards program, each honoree receives a commemorative paver that is placed in the Walk of Fame to memorialize their outstanding accomplishments. The Fort Lauderdale Walk of Fame is located on the beach along the east side of A1A at Las Olas Boulevard. Walk of Fame Honorees are announced at the Great American Beach Party, which is tentatively scheduled to take place on the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend.

If you would like to submit a nomination for the 2024 Great American Beach Party Walk of Fame, please complete the information below. You may also submit additional background material such as media copy. Please limit to 10 additional pages. The deadline for the 2024 Great American Beach Party Walk of Fame nomination is **Friday, December 29, 2023**.

Nominated Honoree information:

Name of nominated honoree: Kathleen Cannon

Address: 1300 S. Andrews Ave

City, State, Zip Code: Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

Home Phone: _____ Office: (954) 462-4850 Cell: _____

Email: Kcannon@unitedwaybroward.org

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See word document attached.

2. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

See word document attached.

3. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

See word document attached.

Submitted by: Aimee Adler Cooke

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You may also submit additional background material such as media copy. Please limit to 10 additional pages.

All nominations must be received by December 29, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Nominations and background materials submitted after Friday, December 29, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. will not be accepted. **Incomplete nominations will not be considered.** If you have any questions, contact Joshua Carden at 954-828-5044 or email JCarden@fortlauderdale.gov, or Melissa Mata at 954-828-6182 or email at MMata@fortlauderdale.gov.

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Fort Lauderdale Walk of Fame Nominee:
Kathleen Cannon, President/CEO of United Way of Broward County

1. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

A social worker by trade, Kathleen Cannon understands firsthand the impact non-profits have in the community. Her work impacts individuals, families, and communities in Broward County. With Kathleen at the helm, United Way of Broward County (UWBC), fights for the Health, Education, and Financial Prosperity of EVERY person in our community which has resulted in long-lasting positive change in Broward. As President/CEO of UWBC, Kathleen utilizes her talents, passion, and undeniable ability to recognize unmet needs, then seeks out partners to create long-lasting, positive solutions and financial support. She works to heighten the successful convergence of non-profits, community leaders, volunteers, and private businesses to help those most in need.

With three focus points in mind: HEALTH, EDUCATION, and FINANCIAL PROSPERITY, Kathleen has made it her mission to successfully create and manage key programs, projects, and campaigns that directly impact our community.

Health:

United Way of Broward County's Commission on Behavioral Health & Drug Prevention helps adults, children, and youth live substance-free. With 75 engagement activities held, more than 12,500 students were reached. In addition, more than 46,000 clients were reached through substance abuse prevention programs in 2021 alone.

The organization, a broad-based substance misuse prevention and mental health promotion coalition, is dedicated to reducing negative consequences for individuals, families and communities. It brokers partnerships between federal, state, and local agencies to foster integrated behavioral health efforts, and addresses the issue of substance misuse. They are focused on solutions to close gaps in services and create a better life for all. Their prevention focused efforts also extend to schools with programs like "Rise Above the Stigma" and Broward Youth Coalition (BYC) training. Successful initiatives include but are not limited to:

- *"It's OK to Not be OK"*, a campaign with strategic messaging addressing stress, loneliness, and/or anxiety. It directs individuals to call 988, the suicide hotline or 211 Broward, a 24/7 hotline, for support and/or free resources. The Commission's website, drugfreebroward.org, also provides a prevention resource center with toolkits providing information to support mental and behavioral health issues.
- *Opiate Action Plan*, a plan outlining how the community can promote strategies about drug prevention. It includes education, restricting access to prescription opioids, how to get access to naloxone and syringe exchange programs, medical-assisted treatment, and requests funding and policy recommendations. The strength of the plan is in its diverse representation from various sectors and federal agencies.

Education:

Providing a positive outlook for the future of our youth, **United Way of Broward County's ReadingPals Program**, started 11 years ago, connects volunteers with Pre-K through 3rd-grade students to generate a lifetime love of literacy and to improve reading and comprehension skills to ensure children are reading at grade level. Volunteers dedicate 1 hour/week for 28 weeks to read to individual students or a small group. To date, more than 2,450 Broward County Elementary school students have been served (not including the 2023/2024 school year). UWBC has distributed more than 94,000 books to elementary school children in Pre-K through 3rd grade. More than 1,900 volunteers provided 39,000+ hours to the program.

Fort Lauderdale Walk of Fame Nominee:
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Financial Prosperity:

In 2013, **MISSION UNITED** was formed as a critical program supporting US military service members, Veterans, and their families in Broward County by helping them acclimate to civilian life. Key focus areas include employment services, education, health, legal assistance, financial stability, and housing support. Through MISSION UNITED, UWBC is aligning existing services and creating solutions where there are gaps in support. To date, more than 20,000 veterans have been provided with critical resources.

The **Housing United (HU)** initiative is a unique, multi-pronged approach to raising both capital and philanthropic funds via collaborative effort of public and private organizations. The HU fund provides gap financing that lowers the cost of the development of rental or housing units. This initiative looks to generate more than 500 new affordable housing units to support the ALICE population families by 2024.

Kathleen is also an avid supporter of **United For ALICE**, a driver of innovation, research, and action to improve life across the country for ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) families. Using the data from the bi-annual ALICE Reports, a comprehensive, unbiased picture of financial hardship is painted for Broward County. Kathleen has harnessed this data and advocated collaborative equitable solutions that promote financial stability. Her dedication to championing and supporting ALICE individuals and families has resulted in programs specifically benefiting thousands of seniors, veterans, children, and people with disabilities.

Funds Raised

Through her grit and determination, coupled with Kathleen's unparalleled relationship-building, several legacy contributions and gifts have been granted to UWBC. There are more than 400 corporate partners that generously support UWBC's work.

Several are as follows:

- In 2022, UWBC received a transformational donation from writer and philanthropist MacKenzie Scott. This donation is the single largest donation for UWBC and has been utilized to assist UWBC's mission. The donation is part of the iconic \$4.2 billion that Scott donated to 384 organizations across all 50 states, Puerto Rico and Washington D.C., amid the impacts of the pandemic.
- UWBC's Housing United initiative received a three-year (2023-2025) gift totaling \$100,000 from the BBX Capital Foundation. The generous multi-year contribution will support and provide families with down payment assistance, and housing subsidies. It will also help the Housing United initiative reach the goal of securing 2,500 units, impacting approximately 7,500 at-risk residents.
- In 2022, Kathleen facilitated a significant corporate contribution from Amazon in support of UWBC's various community-based initiatives and core issues. These much-needed resources enabled UWBC to continue, and expand upon, services to millions of people in need.

2. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Fostering the spirit of our community, Kathleen not only sits on countless panels to share professional nonprofit experience, she also hosts a number of UWBC annual conferences that not only bring positive recognition to the City, but also encourage people to visit Fort Lauderdale as a destination.

She also has participated in Leadership Florida to continue her desire to help build our community and promote philanthropy. Kathleen also prioritized sending staff to professional trainings. Kathleen is a dedicated member of the community and has contributed to numerous organizations throughout her career. She has received numerous awards, appointments and accolades for her leadership and dedication to ensuring all lives are changed for the better. Some of these include:

- Board Member of Federal Reserve of Miami
- Florida Commission on Access to Civil Justice

Fort Lauderdale Walk of Fame Nominee:

Kathleen Cannon, President/CEO of United Way of Broward County

- Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance Prosperity Partnership Leadership Team
- Board Member of the Alan B. Levan/NSU Broward Center of Innovation
- Fort Lauderdale Executives' Association
- Broward County Non-Profit Chamber
- Broward County Commission's Racial Equity Task Force
- Proud graduate of Leadership Broward and participating in Leadership Florida
- United Way of Florida Board of Directors
- Council of Economic Advisors (CEA) Board of Directors
- South Florida Business and Wealth Magazine's Apogee Award
- South Florida Business Journal Woman of Influence

**3. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee.
(Please do not include website links)**

An executive for over 25 years, Kathleen Cannon leads with intention and strategy. She believes motivating and inspiring others begins with profound integrity and high regard for all stakeholders. A social worker by trade, Kathleen understands firsthand the impact that non-profits have in the community. As President/ CEO of United Way of Broward County, she utilizes her talents, passion, and undeniable ability to recognize unmet needs, then seeks out partners to create long-lasting, positive solutions. Her work impacts individuals, families, and communities.

Prior to joining United Way of Broward County's leadership, Kathleen was the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at Broward House for more than nine years. Kathleen started her career in direct social services as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker, which brings a unique perspective to her leadership style. She has worked with a multitude of populations including people with chronic persistent mental illness, substance abusers, runaway teens, persons with physical disabilities, people living with HIV/AIDS and children with disabilities.

Ms. Cannon earned her Bachelor of Arts in clinical psychology from Moravian University. She also holds a master's degree in social work from Florida International University. In recognition of her commitment to excellence, Kathleen was appointed to serve on the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve of Atlanta Miami Branch and serves on the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance Prosperity Partnership Leadership Team, along with active memberships in many other impactful organizations.

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Since moving Rick Case Automotive Group's headquarters to South Florida from Ohio in 1985, Rita and Rick Case (Rick passed away in 2020) have had a profound influence in uplifting countless children and families in South Florida. Their philanthropy has been life-changing for residents who need an economic lift. Rita and Rick created, developed and led transformational initiatives that raised more than \$100 million for organizations in South Florida. Their children, Ryan and Raquel, join Rita in the business and as philanthropic pillars in the community.

Rick Case, a visionary in the automotive industry, was recently honored posthumously by the Florida Automobile Dealers Association (FADA) which inducted him in the prestigious FADA Hall of Fame. A trailblazer and retail pioneer of car brands, Case was founder and Chief Executive Officer of the Rick Case Automotive Group for 60 years. Beginning his journey as a dedicated and passionate salesman, Case's foray into the automotive sector began in 1962 in Ohio when he started selling used cars. His relentless pursuit of excellence and unparalleled salesmanship led to remarkable achievements, one of which is holding the world record for selling the most Honda cars in a single month, an astounding 1,222 vehicles. Rick was a trailblazer in the realm of automotive retail. In 1996 when Hyundai was struggling in the U.S. market, he introduced a groundbreaking idea – a 10-year, 100,000-mile warranty. This concept became a standard warranty for numerous manufacturers, revolutionizing the industry's approach to customer satisfaction and product reliability. With a heart of a true salesman, Rick's journey in the automotive industry was marked by innovation, record-breaking achievements, and a steadfast commitment to customer satisfaction.

Today, Rita is president and CEO of award-winning Rick Case Automotive Group, now the largest female owned and operated independent automotive dealer group in America. The company is one of America's most respected retail automotive brands, with 14 dealerships throughout South Florida and Atlanta. The dealerships consistently rank in top volume sales nationally and are honored for operational excellence. The dealerships employ 1,300 dedicated associates and boost Broward County's economy by reaching nearly \$2 billion in annual sales.

Rita is one of a select group of 49 dealer nominees from across the country who will be honored at the 107th annual National Automobile Dealers Association Show in February. The TIME Dealer of the Year award is one of the automobile industry's most prestigious and highly coveted honors. The award recognizes the nation's most successful auto dealers who also demonstrate a long-standing commitment to community service. Rita was chosen to represent the Florida Automobile Dealers Association in the national competition – one of only 49 auto dealers nominated out of more than 16,000 nationwide.

Rick and Rita's impact extends beyond the showroom floor. Rick's legacy lives on in countless organizations throughout South Florida and Atlanta.

In 1982, Rick and Rita launched Rick Case Bikes for Kids, which has distributed more than 100,000 new and gently used bicycles to children in need during the holidays in South Florida and Atlanta. Rick was also instrumental in building 12 Boys & Girls Clubs of Broward County locations, which serve 12,000 members. He launched the Fort Lauderdale International Auto Show in partnership with the South Florida Automobile Dealers Association in 1991, which has helped raise more than \$5 million for the Boys & Girls Clubs. Today, Rita serves as chairperson for the annual event. Rick also founded and directed the Boca Raton Concours d'Elegance, the world's largest Concours owned by a charity, which has raised more than \$10 million for Boys & Girls Clubs. These are two of the organization's leading annual fundraising events.

Rita wears many hats, literally and figuratively. She is known for the elegant signature hats she wears whether in a business meeting or building a Habitat for Humanity home. A 2022 Horatio Alger Award recipient, Rita sits on the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta Miami Branch Board of Directors; the Horatio Alger Association, Nova Southeastern University and Broward Workshop board; and served on the Boys & Girls Club of Broward County board for 35+ years.

Rick Case Automotive Group has been a major donor to Nova Southeastern University, home to the Rick Case Arena, where the Cases have established a scholarship endowment to provide higher education to Boys and Girls Clubs members enrolled at the Fort Lauderdale campus. Rita is also a member of the university's board of trustees.

The Rick Case Automotive Group also funded the Rick Case storefronts for Junior Achievement of South Florida, an interactive exhibit at the group's JA BizTown located in Coconut Creek, Florida. The hands-on displays allow children to experience the inner workings of a car dealership.

The Community Foundation of Broward

In 2023, the Community Foundation of Broward recognized Rita and Rick as a Community Builder and celebrated the establishment of the Rita & Rick Case Family Fund during a special ceremony that included a ribbon cutting and unveiling of a plaque with the couple's portrait that now hangs on the Community Foundation's Wall of Fame. The fund fuels their lifetime commitment to philanthropy and ensures support for initiatives that have the greatest impact on children, families, education and healthcare in Broward County. Rita has been involved with the Community Foundation of Broward serving as a board member and on the strategic planning committee.

Habitat for Humanity of Broward

In conjunction with Habitat for Humanity of Broward, Rita launched the Rita Case WOMENBuild in 2023, which has raised more than \$800,000 in sponsorships for eight new homes at 'A Rick Case Habitat Community.' When complete, this Pompano Beach community of 76 homes will be the largest affordable homeownership community in the county's history. The support of Rita, the Rita Case WOMENBuild and other partners is imperative to providing homeownership opportunities to those in need. Habitat Broward's Women Build program dates back to 2002. Since then, it has engaged, equipped and empowered more than 1,000 women to fund and build 52 homes throughout Broward County. Women Build is a global movement with 1,200 affiliates that seeks to empower women to support women and families in need of affordable housing. The need for affordable housing is great in Broward. According to the Broward Housing Council, 42% of homeowners and 60% of renters in Broward County are either cost burdened or severely cost burdened, meaning the households are spending more than 30% of their monthly income on mortgage or rent. Affordable housing uplifts residents, encourages social connection, increases adjacent property values, attracts businesses, creates jobs and lowers crime rates.

Soles4Souls' 4 EveryKid

Rita and Rick got involved with Soles4Souls in 2013. They began by providing coats and shoes to children at Boys & Girls Clubs in Broward County, Florida and in Idaho.

Rita, along with Soles4Souls, has since founded the 4EveryKid program in Broward County and partnered with Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) Homeless Education Assistance Resource Team (HEART) to provide new name-brand athletic shoes to students facing housing instability. Since becoming the founding sponsor and chief fundraiser for 4EveryKid Broward in Spring 2022, Rita has raised nearly \$500,000 for the program with many five-year commitments to secure funding for years to come. To date, 3,755 Broward kids have received new athletic shoes through the initiative. According to research conducted by Soles4Souls, a new pair of athletic shoes can directly impact a child's attitude and performance in and out of school. More than 90% of kids gained confidence with new shoes on their feet, were more excited to attend school, engaged in more physical activity and felt more equal to their peers. New shoes give kids the opportunity to participate more fully in school, and it frees up resources their parents can then use for other necessities. More than 1.5 million children in the U.S. don't have stable housing, and their families lack sufficient resources to meet all their basic needs. More than 18,000 kids in southeast Florida are experiencing homelessness, with at least 7,000 of those in Broward County alone.

Pace Center for Girls

Rick Case Automotive Group has supported the Pace Center for Girls Broward for years and their mission to provide girls and young women an opportunity for a better future through education, counseling, training and advocacy. In 2021, Rita donated \$50,000 to the Pace Center for Girls "Inspiring Dreams, Changing

Lives" Capital Campaign.

Holy Cross Health

A strong supporter of initiatives that have the greatest impact on healthcare, Rita also recently made a significant donation to Holy Cross Health for areas of greatest need.

Broward Health Medical Center

Following a \$50,000 donation to Broward Health Foundation by Rita in 2022, the Rita & Rick Case Echo Lab at Broward Health Medical Center was launched. The lab features the latest echocardiography technology that creates images of the heart, blood vessels and blood flow levels that doctors use to assess heart function.

Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital Foundation

Rick Case Hyundai Plantation and Rick Case Hyundai Davie represented all South Florida Hyundai dealerships in presenting a \$100,000 Hyundai Impact Award from Hyundai Hope On Wheels and the South Florida Hyundai Dealers Association to Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital Foundation to help fund pediatric care and support at the hospital.

CPR Training Kits to Broward County Schools

Thanks to a generous multi-year donation from Rita to the American Heart Association (AHA), multiple Broward County Public Schools in underserved neighborhoods will continue to receive newly upgraded CPR in Schools Training Kits from the American Heart Association. The kits, which are used to facilitate adult CPR with breaths, adult hands-only CPR, child CPR, adult and child choking relief, and general AED awareness, will be used by the schools to teach lifesaving CPR skills and automated external defibrillator familiarization, as well as how to provide choking relief. According to the American Heart Association, cardiac arrest is a leading cause of death in the U.S. and approximately 90% of people who suffer out-of-hospital cardiac arrests die. CPR, especially if performed immediately, can double or triple a person's chance of survival. The American Heart Association wants all students and educators to learn CPR, putting more qualified lifesavers in local communities.

Establishment of the Rita and Rick Case Changemaker Award

In a rare move by a national organization to establish a perpetual recognition award, the American Heart Association announced the inaugural Rita and Rick Case Changemaker Award during the 2023 Heart Ball. Beginning this year, the award will be presented annually in perpetuity to someone who has made an impact, sets the tone, leads by example and inspires others to join the mission of the AHA. This is the first award of its kind in the AHA's South Florida market.

Over the past decade, Rita and Rick have dedicated their time, leadership, support and creativity to help the AHA achieve goals and take the organization to new heights. They also laid the foundation for the annual Broward Heart Walk, going above and beyond with their support. Their generosity has enabled the AHA to give the gift of time back to so many families in the community.

Contributing to the Transformation of Huizenga Park

The Rick Case Automotive Group generously donated \$150,000 to the Huizenga Park Foundation in support of the Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority's (DDA) efforts to transform Huizenga Park into a welcoming open space for generations to come. In recognition of their contribution, the Bicentennial Liberty Oak Tree will be named to acknowledge the Rick Case Automotive Group once the renovated park opens in 2025. The Bicentennial Liberty Oak Tree was relocated to the Fort Lauderdale Riverwalk in 1976 in commemoration of the nation's 200th anniversary. This special tree was rededicated on September 11, 2002, in honor of the victims and heroes of 9/11. With significant meaning to the Fort Lauderdale

community, this stately tree stands tall in honor of our nation's heroes.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

So many communities and organizations are thriving thanks to the generosity of and support from Rita and Rick Case.

It is rare that a couple is so invested in a community, supporting initiatives that make local communities better places to live, work and raise a family. But that is who Rita is and Rick was. Rick was deeply committed to community improvement and was well known for giving his time, business experience and resources to improve community organizations and today Rita continues to carry on their legacy. Their impact is far-reaching. Among the non-profits and initiatives Rita, Rick and the company support throughout Fort Lauderdale and beyond are Boys & Girls Clubs, college and vocational scholarships for deserving students, Habitat for Humanity, Nova Southeastern University, United Way, Humane Society, Feeding South Florida, Broward Center for the Performing Arts, American Heart Association, American Cancer Society, Broward Health, Cleveland Clinic Florida, Women in Distress, Holy Cross Health, Community Foundation of Broward, Huizenga Park Reimagining, Soles4Souls' 4EveryKid initiative, Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital, Pace Center for Girls, Jack & Jill Center and more.

Together with Rick, and now Rita along with her children are always willing to give a hand-up to those in need. Rita is always seen with a smile on her face and truly appreciates everyone she meets. She lives to bring joy to everyone she can, helps people overcome hardships and puts smiles on the faces of children and families. Since making Broward County their home nearly 40 years ago, Rita and Rick have become a fixture in the community. Today Rita carries on that legacy, always striving to make a bigger impact today than she made yesterday.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Rick Case founded Rick Case Automotive Group in 1962. Today the Rick Case Automotive Group operates 14 dealerships in South Florida and Atlanta, Georgia and employs over 1,300 associates. The company has been honored by Automotive News as the National All-Star Dealer and is one of the largest auto groups in America, offering Honda, Hyundai, Genesis, Ioniq, Volkswagen, Kia, Acura, Audi, Mazda, Maserati, Fiat, Alfa Romeo, Honda Motorcycles and E-Z-Go golf carts. The company has a reputation as one of the country's leading volume dealers approaching \$2 billion in annual sales. Rita assumed the role of president and chief executive officer when her husband passed away in 2020. The company is now the nation's largest auto retailer owned and operated by a woman. "I celebrate my lifelong journey of paving the way for women to be accepted and respected as leaders in the male-dominated dealership world," Rita said. "It's rewarding to be a role model for women and to use my leadership and financial success to advance improvements in healthcare, education and safety in the community."

Over the years, Rick has served on numerous boards including Boys & Girls Clubs of Broward County, Nova Southeastern University, Broward Workshop and more. Rita is a member of the board of directors of the Miami Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta and also serves as a Board of Trustee for Nova Southeastern University, a board member of Horatio Alger Association and Boys & Girls Clubs of Broward County. Rita has served on the Community Foundation of Broward board and on the strategic planning committee. She earned her BS degree in economics from the University of California.

Rick and Rita have won numerous awards, both professionally and personally. They are recognized on the list of Florida Trend's Florida 500 Most Influential Business Leaders and South Florida Business Journal Power Leaders, among others. Their dealerships are known for holding national sales records, consistently

ranking among the top performers in markets they serve as well as winning prestigious awards for customer satisfaction and overall excellent business operations.

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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1. Nominated Honoree information:

Name of Nominated Claudia Castillo
Honoree:
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State Florida
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Email Address: claudiacastilloartist@gmail.com

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

I nominate Claudia Castillo for the 2024 Walk of Fame Award, as she is most deserving of this award. Claudia's personality, talent, compassion, and perseverance have carried her through many challenges in her life to be the successful artist, business owner, entrepreneur, and giving member of her community that she is today. Claudia Castillo was born in Colombia and educated in the Pontificia Universidad Javeriana with a degree in Social Communication with a specialty in Advertising. Claudia was a successful Radio and TV producer with an award winning advertising agency in Bogota, Colombia. At the age of 40, Claudia left Colombia to come to this country to pursue a career as a designer and artist and to find freedom as an

LGBT woman. Her journey has not been an easy one, however when you meet Claudia, you immediately have a sense of someone that is genuine, loving and very grateful for her life and blessings. In 2017, Claudia founded Claudia Castillo ART studio, a boutique art gallery in the heart of Wilton Manors that provides a unique variety of original artwork, gifts, jewelry and collectables. The studio showcases Claudia's artwork, however one of her main goals it that it also gives opportunity to local, national and international artists to exhibit their work.

Claudia is a true inspiration to others with her passion and selfless service attitude to give back to her community. She volunteers her time to serve on numerous city and local non-profit organizations, creating and managing events that expand culture, art and diversity throughout Broward County. One of the most important events that Claudia created and developed is the Justin Flippen Annual Manatee Contest for the local elementary students in honor of the late Mayor Justin Flippen. The 2023 Justin Flippen Manatee Contest (for the 5th year) had over 600 students participating and raised over \$5,000 dollars in in-kind contributions, art supplies and prizes for the children of Wilton Manors Elementary and Somerset Academy Village in Wilton Manors.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Claudia is deserving of this award because she always finds time in spite of her responsibilities as a small business owner to mentor others and to volunteer in her community. Claudia's work with the Wilton Drive Improvement District during the last 6 years and currently as chair has given her an opportunity make a difference representing local businesses to enhance tourism and improve the services along Wilton Drive. Being on the board of the Greater Fort Lauderdale LGBT Chamber of Commerce and the Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce has allowed her the ability to help the community and other local businesses to gain awareness of the diversity issues and to be visible and speak up to strive for a more diverse future that is inclusive to all. Claudia never misses an opportunity to promote this community and her passion can be seen in the interview published in the Passport Magazine Feature "Ask a Local – Fort Lauderdale" June 2023.

Claudia was named one of 25 South Florida Business Journal's Diversity & Inclusion program's Diverse Voice in 2022 for her efforts in supporting the LGBT community. During the last 7 years, she has spearhead many efforts that have improved the culture and quality of life for everyone in the Broward County community such as:

- o Painting the street parking meters along Wilton Drive and creating iconic 'art pieces'
- o Creating the 'Rainbow Manatee' in honor of late Mayor Justin Flippen, installed at Justin Flippen Park
- o Painting the 'Pride' Mural at the Pub Restaurant on Wilton Drive
- o Painting of the 'Be Proud' Mural at the Wilton Discount Liquor on the Drive in collaboration with Island City Art Advisory Committee
- o Championing the efforts to create the iconic 'Rainbow Bridge' Painting along the waterway entrance to Wilton Drive
- o Co-founding of the Justin Flippen Annual Manatee Contest for local Elementary Students in honor of the late Wilton Manor's Mayor | in its 5th year this effort during its tenure has provided over \$20,000 in prizes and gifts to over 600 students of Wilton Manors Elementary and Somerset Academy Village
- o Claudia has donated her artwork to several non-profit organizations for the benefit of supporting their fundraising efforts
- o Claudia is a Grant Panelist for Broward County Cultural Division for the past three years, having contributed in the selection and awarding of funding to organizations that offer diverse cultural services in Broward County
- o Board of Director for Broward Art Guild | co-chair of the Art Around Town Program that provides artist to

Broward County Libraries expanding culture and art.
o Island City Art Advisory Committee

Please see the biography and images submitted for question 4 for additional information regarding the awards that Claudia has received for her community service efforts.

Claudia Castillo ART studio was the next growth of her business Color Designers Company, a decorative art painting business that she started in 2001. The studio was created to provide the ability to showcase her art in a retail setting. Less than a year after she opened the retail studio, Claudia had to undergo back fusion surgery which required her very limited mobility for a period of 6 months. Through that challenge, she still continued to paint and to manage her studio, growing each year and at the same time donating her time to the city committees, LGBT groups and other art organizations. A year and a half after her surgery, as she was reaching a point where the studio had grown in local and tourist recognition, she had to close the studio in 2020 for a period of 3 months due to the COVID 19 pandemic. Through that time Claudia painted murals, updated the studio's online presence, expanded her product offerings and kept the faith that she would reopen and the community would continue their support. In late 2020, the studio reopened and continues to expand art and retail sales locally and nationally. In 2021, Claudia expanded her artwork further beyond the local community and was invited to exhibit her work internationally in Spain and Florence, Italy at the XIII Florence Biennale. In 2022 and 2023 she participated in other exhibits in the Netherlands, Switzerland, London, Barcelona, Greece and at the XIV Florence Biennale in Italy.

Claudia is a humble, kind person, a mentor and an encouragement for Hispanic women and for small business owners as she inspires others with her example to make a difference in this world if they persevere, believe in themselves and create a network of support from one another.

I truly believe Claudia's efforts should be recognized with this award. Claudia Castillo embodies the character, business and public service qualities that should be celebrated by this award because they are an inspiration to small businesses, women, Hispanics, the LGBTQ community and to those that have come to this country for better opportunities...they are achievable.

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Please see attached Claudia Castillo's biographical profile attached below with details regarding her exhibitions and awards for her service and the additional information PDF with further background materials to substantiate the nomination. Please let me know if you need anything further.

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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Name of Nominated Valerie Cianci
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City Fort Lauderdale
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Email Address: steph.cianci@gmail.com

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For the past year, Valerie T. Cianci has been dedicated to providing a space for the community to come together enjoying quality food, local art, and educational events in her coffee shop, Charlie St. Flowers and Coffee. The coffee shop has brought in customers from across town, across state, the Northeast and beyond—all sharing the same sentiment—that the energy of the place is palpable, relaxed and inspiring. Valerie's selflessness and championship for the community is contagious. Exhibit A can simply be the menu board, with drinks and sandwiches as customer's namesake.

Not only has Valerie made financial contributions and donations to local organizations like The Pride Center, Orchid Society, Central City Alliance and more, but she consistently offers up her space to artists and educators. If you are someone looking for a space to share your talents or knowledge with the community, Valerie's coffee shop should be your first stop to ask.

In the past year she's supported and opened her doors eagerly to artists, educators and more to create free community events. Including but not limited to:

- Summer Friday's Live music by local musicians
- Education and Prevention series with Holy Cross Hospital's breast cancer division
- Ongoing participation in FTL's Art Walk, supporting artists of every medium.
- Book launches and Meet the Author events in collaboration with Middle River Press
- Sound healing, yoga and meditation for all ages.
- Pop up events for other small businesses
- Networking events, and women's groups.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Ms. Cianci actively participates in The Central City Alliance and The Small Business Association of Fort Lauderdale, and has been a voice of leadership encouraging other business owners and community leaders to prioritize community engagement. In her words, "A local business's primary focus should be uplifting the community, creating a positive environment for people to gather, be creative and enjoy. Then the business will follow."

Myself and my colleagues believe Valerie is deserving of the recognition for WOF2024, because 7 days a week, she works to uplift those around her and share the community she built with anyone open to receiving it.

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Valerie is a native New Yorker with a strong background in Finance and business management. 5 years ago she moved to South Florida looking to do something completely different, and looking to make an impact on a community. She fell in love with the Fort Lauderdale's diversity, creative capacity and optimistic energy. Her passion project, Charlie St. Flowers & Coffee, started slowly in 2022, and with determination and community-minded intentions, the coffee shop has grown to be a staple and a safe space for many in the area.

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2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

I believe my active role involved in public art curating and consulting in the Broward county area has had significant positive impacts on the local community. Public art can enrich neighborhoods, promote cultural diversity, enhance urban spaces, and provide a sense of identity and pride for residents. Additionally, being a product of the public school system and giving back to the community highlights a commitment to the betterment of education and public welfare. To learn more about specific projects, contributions, and impacts please refer to the link on question regarding honors and accolades received as this highlights local news outlets, community organizations, and professional platforms where my work is featured or

recognized.

In addition...

Maxence Doytier's role as the co-founder of The Local Octopus Foundation has a significant impact on the Broward County community. By dedicating efforts to educate and preserve coastal waterways and beaches in Broward County, he fosters a sense of environmental responsibility among local residents. Through the foundation's initiatives and three years producing Fort Lauderdale Beach cleanup, the community gains greater awareness of the importance of protecting these delicate ecosystems, contributing to the overall well-being of Broward County. As residents participate in preservation efforts, the region's natural resources are safeguarded for future generations, and the community's quality of life is enhanced. Maxence Doytier's dedication to coastal conservation creates a positive ripple effect, inspiring others to join in preserving the beauty and ecological significance of Broward County's coastal areas.

The arts play a crucial and vital role in teaching for elementary schools. Incorporating arts education into the curriculum offers numerous benefits that contribute to the overall development and success of young learners. Here are some points that highlight the importance of arts education in elementary schools:

Enhanced Creativity and Expression: The arts, whether it's visual arts, music, theater, or dance, provide a platform for students to explore and express their creativity. Engaging in artistic activities allows children to think outside the box, problem-solve, and communicate their emotions and ideas in unique ways.

Improved Cognitive Skills: Studies have shown that arts education can enhance cognitive abilities, including critical thinking, spatial reasoning, and memory retention. These skills are essential for academic success across various subjects.

Boosted Social and Emotional Development: Participation in arts activities fosters a sense of collaboration, teamwork, and empathy among students. Through group performances or art projects, children learn to work together, respect others' perspectives, and build positive relationships.

Increased Confidence and Self-Esteem: The arts provide opportunities for students to showcase their talents and accomplishments. Public performances, art exhibitions, or sharing creative projects instill a sense of pride and self-assurance in young learners.

Support for Diverse Learning Styles: Not all students excel in traditional academic subjects, but arts education provides alternative avenues for learning and self-expression. For visual learners, arts can be a powerful tool for understanding and processing information.

Cultural Appreciation and Understanding: Arts education exposes students to various cultural expressions and traditions, promoting appreciation and understanding of diverse backgrounds and perspectives.

Stress Reduction and Emotional Well-being: Engaging in creative activities can serve as a stress-reliever for young students, promoting emotional well-being and reducing anxiety.

Interdisciplinary Learning: The arts can be integrated with other subjects like history, science, or literature, enhancing interdisciplinary learning and making academic content more engaging and relatable.

Long-Term Impact on Academic Performance: Studies have indicated that students involved in arts education tend to have better academic performance, higher graduation rates, and improved standardized test scores.

Nurturing Lifelong Artistic Engagement: Introducing children to the arts at an early age can ignite a lifelong interest and appreciation for creative pursuits, which can have long-lasting positive effects on their personal and professional lives.

Incorporating arts education in elementary schools is, therefore, a vital aspect of providing a holistic and well-rounded education that nurtures the intellectual, emotional, and social development of young students. It lays the foundation for a lifelong love of learning, creativity, and a deeper understanding of the world around them

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Involvement in Professional Organizations:

Member of Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce
Coproducer of Avenue of the Arts (AOTA) Visual Arts Festival
Cofounder of The Local Octopus Foundation (TLO)

Involvement in Charitable Organizations:

Children's Diagnostic Treatment Center (CDTC)
Helping Abused Neglected Deferred Youth (HANDY)
Hispanic Unity of Florida (HUF)
Urban League of Broward (UL)
Broward College Unlimited Potential (UP)
Broward College Promised Neighborhoods
Virginia Shuman Young Mural Project
Gator Run Elementary Mural Project

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Community driven and passionate about the transformative power of art and placemaking, Maxence Doytier is a visionary facilitator who collaborates with artists from concept to execution. Known for his exceptional contributions to the field of artwork design, Maxence has made an indelible mark on the artistic landscape of Broward County. Supported by his graphic design background and innovative organic approach, he consistently pushes boundaries and inspires others, fostering a vibrant and engaging artistic community with his hands-on approach.

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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If you would like to submit a nomination for the 2024 Great American Beach Party Walk of Fame, please complete the information below. You may also submit additional background material such as media copy. Please limit to 10 additional pages. The deadline for the 2024 Great American Beach Party Walk of Fame nomination is **Friday, December 29, 2023**.

Nominated Honoree information:

Name of nominated honoree: Bill Feinberg

Address: 4325 NE 22 Avenue

City, State, Zip Code: Fort Lauderdale, FL. 33308

Home Phone: _____ Office: 954 564 1611 Cell: 954-868-1819

Email: bill@alliedkitchenandbath.com

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Feinberg mirrors his professional success with his commitment to charitable endeavors. He has transformed the South Florida non-profit community by hosting numerous events in the Allied showrooms, allowing these charities to raise unprecedented donations. One hundred percent of all funds raised during these events showrooms go directly to the charity – with no expense to them – often raising between \$10-20,000 in just a few hours.

Together with his family and staff Feinberg has hosted more than 100 charitable events just in the past few years alone. He truly leads by example actively living his philosophy of service which inspires many colleagues, associates and friends to create a positive impact within the local community.

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While Feinberg measures his personal success by the on-going positive culture within his company, his collaborative relationships within the industry, and his ability to give back, he has received several notable accolades for which he is proud. He has won the Sun Sentinel's Excalibur Award (2013), South Florida's most prestigious honor; the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's prestigious deVilliers International Achievement Award (2006); the Heart of Humanity Award from Habitat for Humanity of Broward County (2018); Broward Business of the Year Award (2021) by the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce; and most recently was honored with the Father of the Year Award (2023) by Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies.

And most recently, Allied hosted Décor for the Cure, an evening of pink in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month and raised more than \$40,000 to benefit the Broward Health Foundation. Feinberg curated an impressive list of donated items to raise funds, served as the event emcee/auctioneer, and underwrote the libations, food and event decor to ensure 100 percent of the proceeds benefited the Broward Health Foundation.

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Bill Feinberg is the President of Allied Kitchen & Bath in Fort Lauderdale. A family owned and operated home remodeling business celebrating 40 years of service and success, Bill and his brother Joe Feinberg founded the company in 1984. As is the nature of a natural born builder, Bill Feinberg is a self-made man. Building his success from the ground up. And never stops improving. A testament to his ever-evolving portfolio success Feinberg complexly reimagined and rebuilt the showroom. The now 15,000 square foot showroom showcases the latest in home design and remodeling. Allied welcomes guests to explore endless options, and fellow industry professionals to meet with clients, encouraging collaboration and fostering a professional community. It is also often a host venue for local charitable and civic events. And that was always part of the plan. Feinberg lives by the motto "Pay it forward."

Submitted by: Pam Moskowitz

Phone number: 954.257.9196 Email: Pam@alliedkb.com

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Nominated Honoree information:

Name of nominated honoree: Jim Hammond

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- Leading Fort Lauderdale's 2013 winning team that brought the coveted "ALL-AMERICA CITY AWARD" to Ft Lauderdale
- Jim is the Founding Artist, Lead Puppeteer and Executive Producer of the Florida Day of the Dead Celebration which has evolved into a South Florida signature event attracting tens of thousands of participants. The Event has been named one of the "Top 10 Day of the Dead" Events in North America by The USA Today, L.A. Times and others plus Top 3 for The List/ABC Television - and this year Fort Lauderdale and Jim's puppets were highlighted on CBS.
- Arts Education is a crucial cornerstone for Jim. Whether introducing puppet-arts to the Chamber, Tower Club, Rotary, Leadership Broward, or 300 third graders, Jim's playfulness, energy and insight are infectious. For almost a decade, ArtServe partnered with Jim to produce the Broward ARTpreneurs program allowing high school students developed their own business plan and original play.
- In addition to Day of the Dead puppets, Jim has designed for Lauderdale's Saint Patrick's Day, Pride Festival, and Sistrunk Festivals.

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Jim is deserving of this award because he is the very best of what the South Florida arts community has to offer. Florida Day of the Dead, one of the most culturally diverse events in South Florida, would not exist without his vision. An event that attracts thousands from out of town, the Florida Day of the Dead brings together the largest collection of Mexican and Latin American Folklorico and Indigenous Dancers in Broward County.

Jim's Additional Highlights and Awards Include:

- 2023 Community Foundation Flood rebuild grant for Puppet Network Studio with South Florida Symphony
- 2020-2024 Resident Production Designer South Florida Symphony
- 2010-2024 Broward County Cultural Division Grantee
- 2010-2024 Founder/Executive Producer Florida Day of the Dead Celebration
- 2021-2023 National Endowment for the Arts/Broward County School System Artist in Residence
- Partnering in over \$3M in Community Arts Engagement Grants and Regional Corporate Sponsorships

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As a child, Jim always wanted to leave the snowy small town on the New York-Vermont border, and move to Florida. Jim 1st visited Fort Lauderdale as a young teen in the 80's, looked at the ocean felt, "This is a pretty cool place..."

Jim has been a puppeteer since 17 years of age, working for an amusement park in the Adirondacks in Upstate New York directed by the illusion designer for Magician David Copperfield. Jim is a puppeteer, live entertainment consultant, and character designer. Carrying a Masters Degree in puppet arts design alongside credits as a puppet master for National Tour of Broadway's "The Lion King", they have over 30 years professional experience in the field designing and fabricating hundreds of productions. Jim specializes in producing international festivals and theatrical productions.

Submitted by: Edward Zeltner Client Services Manager ArtServe

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Name of Nominated Guy Harvey
Honoree:
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State Florida
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2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Dr. Guy Harvey, Ph.D. is a world-renowned artist, scientist, conservationist, angler, diver, and explorer. Although Guy's big-game fish artwork and the iconic Guy Harvey t-shirt are staples in coastal communities world-wide, Guy got his start as a professional artist at the 1986 Ft. Lauderdale Boat Show and has been a fixture at every Ft. Lauderdale Boat Show since.

Although Guy lives internationally, his corporate and foundation headquarters are both based in Ft. Lauderdale, with his flagship retail store located on Las Olas Boulevard. Several of Guy's larger-than-life

murals depicting the undersea world can be found in Ft. Lauderdale, including Terminal 1 of the Ft. Lauderdale - Hollywood International Airport, on the Las Olas Bridge, Nova Southeastern University's University Center, and on traffic control boxes along 17th Street.

Further in partnership with Nova Southeastern University based in Ft. Lauderdale, the Guy Harvey Research Institute is a worldwide leader in ocean conservation research and the Guy Harvey Endowed Scholarship is helping to foster the next generation of marine biologists.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Florida has long been deservedly known as "The Fishing Capital of the World", with Ft. Lauderdale arguably at the epicenter of this world-class fishing. Since Guy Harvey's first Ft. Lauderdale Boat Show in 1986, Guy and Ft. Lauderdale have been inextricably linked. Guy is a former Ft. Lauderdale resident and has continued to make the city his "home away from home" as Guy Harvey Inc. and the Guy Harvey Foundation are both based here.

From his base in Ft. Lauderdale, Guy has grown the Guy Harvey Inc. business into a pioneering company of the fishing industry. The "Guy Harvey t-shirt" is now a staple in the closets of anglers and ocean enthusiasts young and old around the world. Through the use of art, apparel, and merchandise, Guy continues to bring the undersea world into the everyday lives of Ft. Lauderdale residents and visitors.

Also based in Ft. Lauderdale, the Guy Harvey Foundation and the Guy Harvey Research Institute (GHRI) are worldwide leaders in ocean conservation. The Guy Harvey Research Institute at NSU Florida conducts cutting-edge ocean research that has resulted in major scientific breakthroughs and policy changes. In addition to funding the GHRI, the Guy Harvey Foundation provides academic scholarships and educational curriculum to help foster the next generation of ocean conservationists.

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Guy Harvey is a world renowned artist, biologist, angler, conservationist and explorer who uses his keen eye, a lifetime spent on the water and background in marine biology to create wildlife artwork with unmatched authenticity.

Guy earned his Ph.D. in Fisheries Biology from the University of West Indies, where he later taught as a Professor of Marine Biology. Guy continued to paint in his spare time but it was not until an exhibition at the 1986 Ft. Lauderdale Boat Show, where he sold his entire collection, that he resigned his teaching position to become a full-time artist.

Soon after he was painting full-time, Guy was approached to reproduce his artwork on a line of t-shirts. Since then, Guy's list of licensed products has grown to include apparel, destination resorts, restaurants, documentary films, a magazine, housewares, gift items, a line of Ford pickup trucks, and even a Norwegian Cruise Line ship.

Guy uses proceeds from the sale of his artwork and merchandise to conduct cutting-edge marine research and host marine science educational programs through the Guy Harvey Foundation and the Guy Harvey Research Institute at Nova Southeastern University.

Guy Harvey has been inducted into the Fishing, Swimming, SCUBA Diving, and Broward County Sports Halls of Fame.

The two cornerstones of Guy Harvey and his company are art and conservation; and each plays a crucial role in the success of the Guy Harvey brand. Guy's artwork brings the undersea world into everyday life and helps give people a better appreciation for our marine environment.

Guy has dedicated his life to saving our seas and helping to foster the next generation of ocean conservationists.

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2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Ms. Helfer received a Proclamation from Mayor Dean Trantalis on May 29th, 2020. Unfortunately Ms. Helfer passed away 3 years ago.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Ms. Helfer was a valuable asset to the community. She was one of the founders of the Central beach Alliance, Ms. Helfer received a Proclamation from Mayor Dean Trantalis

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

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5. This nomination was submitted by:

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2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Gerald Holland stands as a prominent figure in the aviation industry, recognized as a pioneering force. Currently serving as the Chairman, CEO, and founder of Sheltair, a third-generation family-owned company, he has a notable legacy. After completing his service in the United States Air Force in 1963, Mr. Holland ventured into the construction business by establishing Holland Builders in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Initially focusing on single-family homes, he expanded his business to include multi-occupant residential buildings and commercial projects.

In the late 1970s, recognizing an opportunity in airport property development, Mr. Holland strategically added this dimension to his company's portfolio. The projects initiated at the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport laid the foundation for Sheltair, marking the commencement of his influential journey in the general aviation industry.

Gerald Holland, affectionately known as Jerry, envisioned the establishment of Sheltair based on core values such as a high level of service, safety, integrity, efficiency, and premium quality. These values not only formed the bedrock of the company but also guided Sheltair's active engagement in the Fort Lauderdale community and contributed to its economic advancement. Presently, Sheltair oversees more than 2 million square feet of aviation-related properties in Fort Lauderdale, accommodating 443 tenants across various industries. With a team of 110 dedicated individuals in the Fort Lauderdale area, Sheltair fosters a sense of belonging among its employees, who proudly identify themselves as part of the Aviation Family. They actively contribute to the company's Mission Statement and Culture, embodying the ethos of "Family First – Fuel, Build, Serve."

From its early days, Jerry Holland and Sheltair proudly support local businesses, entrepreneurship, and organizations like the South Florida Aviation Business Association, Boys & Girls Club, Port Everglades Association, FXE Uptown 5K Run, Feeding America, and many others. Jerry has been awarded the City of Fort Lauderdale Community Appearance Board Award for numerous commercial projects throughout the city.

Jerry is a man of few words, but his generosity within the community and his employees is abundant. He believes in investing in the future of our younger generation. He has generously supported scholarship programs such as the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University's O'Maley College of Business Project Liftoff Program and the Aerospace Center for Excellence Program. Jerry's passion for giving back to our communities has resonated through the Holland family. Lisa Holland, current President of Sheltair, established the VTO (Volunteer Time Off) program for all employees to follow in her father's generous footsteps. Jerry and Lisa are devoted to elevating women in aviation and educating future female aviators by supporting the Women in Aviation Chapter and holding events at Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport (FXE) and Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport.

As a native Floridian who calls Fort Lauderdale his home, Jerry is passionate about sharing his love of Fort Lauderdale. He has done so throughout the years by creating marketing campaigns to drive the general aviation business and bring pleasure to the area. These campaigns have resulted in the ultimate development of FXE and the economic benefits of capital investments and jobs.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Jerry Holland has dedicated over 60 years to developing and constructing some of the most fundamental businesses in the Fort Lauderdale area. His profound impact reflects a passion for community enrichment and a spirit of generosity, contributing significantly to the future of youth, the quality of life for citizens, positive recognition for the City, and more. Jerry has inspired others to start their businesses as an industry leader and fostered relationships with local vendors. In 2017, he was inducted into the Florida Aviation Business Association Entrepreneurial Excellence Hall of Fame and honored with the FXE Distinguished Service Award in 2022 for his outstanding contributions and positive impact on the Airport, the City, and our neighbors.

Mr. Holland believes his success is due to his hard work, ethics, and employees, who are the driving force behind the company's accomplishments. He understands that it is not just the commodity that makes the difference but the individuals who support the industry. Therefore, Sheltair places great importance on providing educational and growth opportunities for its employees. The company supports their continued

education and professional development by awarding tuition reimbursement.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Jerry Holland is an industry leader, aviation pioneer, and current Chairman, CEO, and founder of the third-generation family-owned company, Sheltair. Fresh out of the United States Air Force in 1963, Jerry started his construction business in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Holland Builders. It initially focused on single-family homes but soon expanded to include multi-occupant residential buildings and commercial projects. During the late 1970s, Jerry found an opportunity to add airport property development to his company portfolio by executing projects at the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport. These developments would give birth to Sheltair while also marking the start of his legacy in the general aviation industry.

As Jerry expanded the company by building and leasing aviation properties across multiple Florida airports, he gained an appreciation for the FBO business. In 1986, Jerry leaped into FBO ownership by acquiring Walkers Cay Aviation at the Fort Lauderdale International Airport. Under Jerry's ownership, the FBO was renamed Fort Lauderdale Jet Center and later rebranded by merging its name with Sheltair.

Jerry's determination to grow his FBO business caused him to add a second FBO location at the Daytona International Airport shortly after. Sheltair FBO bases quickly gained a national reputation for their superior customer focus and service-driven corporate culture. Sheltair's early success allowed Jerry to continue acquiring and developing new FBOs and properties through the 1990s and 2000s, such as the FBO at Pompano Air Park, leading to Sheltair's modern-day presence at 21 airports, where it operates 16 FBOs, and manages over 4.5 million square feet in real estate.

Jerry Holland aimed to build Sheltair around service, safety, integrity, efficiency, and quality values. Today, those are the same core values Sheltair prides itself on its business. Over the years, the company has received the highest accolades in the industry, most recently ranking best in business in the AIN FBO survey for 2023.

Jerry began a well-thought-out leadership transition plan to continue his vision for Sheltair to remain a vibrant and prosperous family-owned business. In 2020, he appointed his daughter, Lisa Holland, as President of Sheltair. His grandson, Kai Seymour, joined the family business months later after earning his Bachelor's in Business Management at the University of Tampa.

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2024 WALK OF FAME HONOREE NOMINATION FORM

The City established the Walk of Fame in 2010 at the inaugural Great American Beach Party to pay tribute to the legendary Connie Francis on the 50th Anniversary of “Where the Boys Are,” the 1960 film which made Fort Lauderdale an overnight sensation and a “must see” destination for visitors.

Walk of Fame Honorees are recognized by making sustained, positive impacts in one or more of the areas listed below but not limited to:

- Providing a positive outlook for the future of our youth,
- Contributing to the quality of life for our citizens,
- Fostering the spirit of our community,
- Bringing positive recognition to the City, locally or nationally,
- Making Fort Lauderdale a place to live, work, or play,
- Encouraging people to visit Fort Lauderdale as a destination of choice.

As part of the awards program, each honoree receives a commemorative paver that is placed in the Walk of Fame to memorialize their outstanding accomplishments. The Fort Lauderdale Walk of Fame is located on the beach along the east side of A1A at Las Olas Boulevard. Walk of Fame Honorees are announced at the Great American Beach Party, which is tentatively scheduled to take place on the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend.

If you would like to submit a nomination for the 2024 Great American Beach Party Walk of Fame, please complete the information below. You may also submit additional background material such as media copy. Please limit to 10 additional pages. The deadline for the 2024 Great American Beach Party Walk of Fame nomination is **Friday, December 29, 2023.**

Nominated Honoree information:

Name of nominated honoree: Dr. William [Bill] Kent Jr.

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1. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Dr. Bill Kent's vision of creating Ft. Lauderdale a wonderful place to live, work and play started back in 1972, when he took a small 3-person team in a warehouse in Fort Lauderdale to an over 600-member Team. Horner Equipment, now called Team Horner, started as a local swimming pool supply distributor and over the years through Bill's business acumen he searched and negotiated acquisitions and business line expansions to benefit the Team. His commitment to Fort Lauderdale didn't stop with his employees. He has been involved with the International Swimming Hall of Fame since 1988 and through the years has been instrumental in the promotion of the venue throughout the world, celebrating its history of aquatics, promoting swimming as an essential life-skill, and developing educational programs and events related to water sports. Bill's passion to provide a safe and positive outlook for youth has driven him to work with the Florida State Legislature and in 2021 have a bill passed for Every Child a Swimmer – making education and scholarship opportunities available for all children in Florida. exemplify the Teams mission statement of Working Together... Growing Together... Winning Together

2. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Some might think Dr. Bill Kent's greatest legacy is the gift to the Team Horner Teammates of transferring ownership through an ESOP in 2015, in reality it is the invaluable Team Culture he has lived and cultivated through the past 48 years and continues to pass on every day to his Team. It is his passion for this Team Culture that convinced him the transferring of ownership to the Team was the clear and only plausible prudent long-term plan for the company. He has always believed Teammates should have a shared fate in the profitability of the Team. At Team Horner this is evident through the company which includes a discretionary Profit-Sharing Bonus, 401k Match and Profit-Sharing Contribution. This Team Culture of shared fate and working together for the greater good of not only the Team but also the community is something he wants to continue on even with the transfer of the Team's ownership. To this end, Bill has created a charitable foundation which is being funded by the proceeds of the ESOP sale and intends to donate the entirety of those proceeds to charitable works. The Bill Kent Family Foundation has provided financial support to over 40 different charities including the Marian Center for special needs children that Dr. Kent has supported for decades, matched donations for the 2019 Bahamas relief effort and the Foundation has also funded over 100 college scholarships annually to the children of employees.

3. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Bill Kent, born and raised in Cincinnati, Ohio, holds a Doctorate degree in Global Business from Keiser University (2015), a Master of Business Administration degree from Xavier University (1967), and a Bachelor of Science degree in Physics from the University of Cincinnati (1964). Bill has been extremely active in the industry associations, including the National Swimming Pool Foundation, the Florida Swimming Pool Association, the International Swimming Hall of Fame, and the national trade association, now called A.P.S.P., including National President in 1996.

Submitted by: Michael Dooley, President Team Horner Group

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You may also submit additional background material such as media copy. Please limit to 10 additional pages.

All nominations must be received by December 29, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Nominations and background materials submitted after Friday, December 29, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. will not be accepted. **Incomplete nominations will not be considered.** If you have any questions, contact Joshua Carden at 954-828-5044 or email JCarden@fortlauderdale.gov, or Melissa Mata at 954-828-6182 or email at MMata@fortlauderdale.gov.

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Let me know if you think this will do or if I need more or different format. Feel free to edit as needed and be glad to sign it and send back. Let me know

Dear Mary and Mike and whoever this may concern, I strongly support Bill Kent's nomination and provide this letter/e-mail reference in support using your evaluation criteria format and provide them for the following reasons;

1. Providing a positive outlook for the future of our youth
 1. Dr Kent's obsessive devotion and support, using his resources, in making sure all underprivileged children get free lessons to learn to swim as a basic life safety skill is remarkable and contagious. I have been presented with very compelling presentations to this effect and know that he has had legislation passed in Florida and 4 other states to provide information in order to make sure every child can learn to swim and prevent drowning which is the #1 cause of death for very young children.
2. Contributing to the quality of life for our citizens
 1. Dr. Kent's devotion to the International Swimming Hall of Fame has convinced us to invest over \$190M in the new redefined and redesigned ISHOF peninsula for the City of Fort Lauderdale. This new facility which he encouraged us to pursue to become a destination and a go to place for all citizens of Fort Lauderdale by preserving through his leadership and Chairman of the organization, the history of the this institution, to protect its treasures, and by providing and promoting a new vision to make ISHOF part of every day life for all Citizens of Fort Lauderdale whether thought keeping physically in shape by attracting them to come to the ISHOF pools, or provide learning experiences for all the children in the community, provide experiences to be proud of for all visitors of the residents of Fort Lauderdale through the new upcoming facilities that will support business people using quality office space, restaurants to visit as beach goers or as a formal dining experiences, an event center that will encourage family events to be celebrated at the peninsula as well as corporate events to support local businesses and an educational experience for citizens of all ages though the new aquarium and museum set to open in a few years
3. Fostering the spirit of our community
 1. Dr Kent's involvement in so many aspects of various levels of the community though his spiritual participation in his church, business affiliations, always pushing people to come together for the better good of the community. His tag line at the end of all his e-mail says it all "Our best is yet to come"
4. Brining positive recognition to the City, locally or nationally
 1. Through Dr Kent's initiative, the City Commission approval of the new ISHOF peninsula redevelopment has been covered by media outlets and noticed by people and companies nation wide and around the world to establish the once again first in class facility world wide, increasing the visibility and desirability of Fort Lauderdale
5. Making Ft. Lauderdale a place to live, work or play
 1. Dr Kent's unwavering support for this projects that will create thousands of jobs while providing an environment for people who want to live, work and play right here in Fort Lauderdale. They will be able to have it all and experience the new ISHOF peninsula including Fort Lauderdale first aquarium and new world class ISHOF museum
6. Encouraging people to visit Ft. Lauderdale as a destination of choice.
 1. Dr Kent's leadership and support on the new ISHOF peninsula which according to economic impact consultants confirmed that this new attraction will entice many people and companies to come to Fort Lauderdale. This project further recognized by our elected officials and the community leaders in a vote

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2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

John Weaver (deceased) & Dr. Elizabeth King Weaver together have improved the quality of life for the Fort Lauderdale community, especially the Central Beach area. Their commitment to the community has had a positive impact on thousands of Fort Lauderdale residents, women and children.

John led the charge in communicating with citizens, government officials, developers, and others. John was well-respected & liked by all. Involved in many discussions regarding the LOOP, the Las Olas Parking Garage & the new Las Olas Marina, as well as maintaining historic structures.

John was instrumental in helping his wife build the Suits, Stilettos and Lipstick Foundation, a foundation to empower women, and youth.

Over the last 10 plus years, SSL Foundation has impacted the local community in many ways that include academic, leadership, and leadership scholarships. These scholarships help women and children from all walks of life to be resilient, self-confident and purposeful leaders, through education, mentorship and community outreach.

Additionally, they have collected & distributed 80,000+ toys to local disadvantaged children and provided 8500+ volunteer hours to our community.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

John believed and, even during his illness, constantly supported with his personal exhaustive efforts, the following ideas: Children are the catalyst for positive change for future generations. Today's children are tomorrow's leaders. All children should be given an opportunity to thrive AND experience the holiday season.

Dr. King has been a personal inspiration and a beacon of light for many women and men. Dr. King has the talent of being able to pull everyone together toward a common need - a goal, a goal that is good for the community, a goal to help the less fortunate - be it women who need help with scholarships or children who need toys for Christmas in our community. By doing so Dr. King instantly creates the synergy of pulling all resources, talents, and abilities for the greater good. This is community building - it is an intricate process which not only bonds the ones who feel empowered and ready to offer help with those who need some encouragement, some extra room to express their talents but also with those who are all involved in the process. The result is a timeless success, and it is contagious - the ones in need get hope and help, the empowered feel even more empowered and appreciated and those who are faced with life's challenges find support and extra courage to persevere. Through the process of volunteering new friendships are formed, communities are helped, people are encouraged, good deeds have a platform to be expressed and lifelong connections are made. In today's disconnected world Dr. King creates an amazing environment of encouragement, a platform for everyone to flourish, find meaning and purpose, feel needed and appreciated and be a part of something bigger than themselves. It is a win-win environment that she creates on many levels. That is certainly Dr. King's ability to bring about good for the purpose of creating better!

In the same manner, Dr. King's late husband John supported Dr. King's efforts with the SSL Foundation. Together they were the power couple inspiring everyone who they met to lock arms and join the "pay it forward" path of the SSL's mission of helping those in need, to empower, encourage and support.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

John accomplished much in his 60 years of life. He served as President of the Fort Lauderdale Central Beach Alliance, was a board member on the Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce Beach Council for many years, was an entrepreneur who successfully founded his own software development company, was a respected realtor and real estate investor, and was instrumental in helping his wife build the Suits, Stilettos and Lipstick movement. John loved Fort Lauderdale and he especially loved the beach, which he and his wife called home for the past 14 years. John also was committed to giving back to the community he loved, and he was dedicated to serving at-risk youth. For the past 22 years, John and his wife annually constructed an intricate Christmas village, which was the foundation for the renowned "It Takes a Village" fundraiser and holiday toy drive that collected and distributed tens of thousands of toys to underprivileged children.

Dr. Elizabeth King is the founder & chief inspiration officer for the Suits, Stilettos and Lipstick (SSL) Foundation. SSL is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to empower women and children from all walks of life to be resilient, self-confident, and purposeful leaders through education, mentorship, and community outreach.

Dr. King, LCSW, CHt (Clinical Social Worker and Certified Hypnotherapist), is a successful businesswoman, a mental health expert, motivational speaker, author, radio-TV personality, coach, and philanthropist. Dr. King is recognized as a thought leader and visionary in mental health, education, and women's empowerment. She also has extensive experience in business and program development, nonprofit management, consumer membership acquisition, and large-scale event production.

Dr. King worked for Broward County Public Schools from 1989 to 2007. She started as a classroom teacher, then went on to become a social worker and family counselor, and then as an administrator overseeing over 30 dropout prevention programs. She also has served as an adjunct professor at Nova Southeastern University. In 2007, she left the school system to open her counseling practice and holistic center. In her clinical practice as a psychotherapist/hypnotherapist, she specialized in post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, anxiety, panic attacks, parenting, and women's issues. She retired from her clinical practice in June 2022 and is currently dedicated full-time to running SSL and sharing her message through keynote speaker appearances. She published her first book in 2012, entitled Dr. King's Simple Guide to Holistic Health...Lessons Learned from My Personal Journey. Dr. King is currently working on writing her second book.

She is proud that, in 2023, SSL celebrated 10 + years of serving the community. The organization has had a positive impact on thousands of women and children because of Dr. King's commitment to making a difference.

Dr. King has been honored for her philanthropy with many prestigious awards:

- 2016 President's Lifetime Achievement Award
- 2017 American Business Women Association (ABWA) Wonder Woman Award
- Hispanic Woman Distinction Award
- 100 Outstanding Women of Broward County Award
- PR Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Award, and
- National Association of Women Business Owner (NAWBO) Bravo Award Finalist.

As a speaker, Dr. King captivates her audiences with personal stories combined with her knowledge, and always leaves audiences motivated, empowered, and inspired. She has delivered countless keynote speeches and presentations to Fortune 500 companies and top government agencies on mental health, leadership, and business development.

In her free time, she enjoys traveling, hanging out with her daughter and grandchildren, and learning to play the congas. You will never find her without her red lipstick, which she refers to as her "war paint." Her signature color is red.

Her relentless pursuit of spreading hope and empowering others everywhere she goes has led to her life's work, or as she affectionately refers to it as her "love walk." As a result, she is proud also to be regarded as a disruptor!

Born in the Dominican Republic, she contracted polio when she was three years old and endured 36 operations and physical therapy to claim a high degree of mobility and wellness. The inner strength required to reach this point has had a profound impact on her life's work. She relocated at the tender age of five with her mother, maternal grandmother, and four siblings to the United States, settling in New York City. The family returned to the Dominican Republic when she was 14 years old, where she completed high school. Shortly after graduation she relocated to South Florida and has never left.

Dr. King's extensive academic career includes:

- Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Computer Information Systems and a minor in Education from

Nova Southeastern University

- Master of Social Work from Florida International University
- Educational Leadership certification from Barry University
- Doctor of Education from Nova Southeastern University.

5. This nomination was submitted by:

Name: WILLIAM W BROWN
Phone number: (317) 439-0628
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Nominated Honoree information:

Name of nominated honoree: Renee Korbel Quinn

Address: 888 E, Las Olas Blvd., Suite 210

City, State, Zip Code: Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Home Phone: _____ Office: _____ Cell: 94 270 8326

Email: Rene@quinnquopro.com

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Renee has been an engaged and active volunteer through out Fort Lauderdale since the early 80s. With a career in banking, she has lent her expertise to many projects and programs assuring success. A long time board member of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale and former chair as well as a long time board member and officer of Winterfest - she generously provided her expertise in a variety of areas including marketing/media, finance, graphics, event planning and management.


She has served on a large number of city boards and most recent as a member of the Noise Abatement Committee. She has been a participant and volunteer for St. Patrick's Day Parade, Walk of Fame, Citizens Recognition and many other city initiated events.

2. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Over the years, she has supported a very large number of charity organizations including Riverwalk, Winterfest, Salluro's Race, Big Brothers/Bid Sisters, Glam-A-thon, Ann Stoke and many more. The gift of time and expertise are invaluable to these organizations and she has always been a generous financial donor as well.

3. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

As a retired banker, Renee brings great fiscal skills to all endeavors. Following retirement, she became a master mixologist and shared her skills, connections and knowledge with others. Additionally, with great graphic skills along with social media, she is very much an influencer and uses those powers for others. She is a 16 year writer for GoRiverwalk Magazine and author of a number of white papers that have been published. With her husband, Renee owns QuinnProQuo which is a strategy group that assists others in planning for a successful outcome. Additionally they oversee and manage a large number of web pages and social media sites.

Submitted by: Friends of the Community 

Phone number: 954 205 9648

 Email: genia@goriverwalk.com 

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JCarden@fortlauderdale.gov



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Nominated Honoree information:

Name of nominated honoree: Dan Lindblade

Address: 416 SW 1st Ave

City, State, Zip Code: Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Home Phone: 954-422-2171 Office: 954-462-4911 Cell: 954-422-2171

Email: dan@ftlchamber.com

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With 17 years of service to the city as President & CEO of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce and five years as CEO of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Association of Realtors, Dan Lindblade is a true servant leader who has given tirelessly to make Fort Lauderdale the City You Never Want To Leave. In fact, that moniker was created by Lindblade while he was on the City's Strategic Planning Task Force. He has served on the city manager search committee, the police chief search committee, the award-winning All American City performance team, is a Commissioner on the Housing Authority of the City of Fort Lauderdale, the Broward County Racial Equity Task Force, the Orange Bowl Committee, previously on the Fort Lauderdale Alliance, the Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association, and is currently the Chair of the Florida Association of Chamber Professionals. He works tirelessly as the co-chair of the Prosperity Partnerships' Resiliency pillar and leads efforts for the city and community in Washington, DC, and Tallahassee, FL, working on issues like Port Everglades deepening and widening, upgrades to the Central and South Florida Flood Control System, expansion of Pell Grants for short-term certification programs, increased funding for

2. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Lindblade has led the business community as President & CEO of the Chamber through the Great Recession, the largest expansion of the City of Fort Lauderdale, and guided businesses through the Covid pandemic. In fact, the Chamber was the first organization up and running and asking Congress and the President for immediate funding for businesses to bridge the revenue gap. Lindblade believes the economy is only as strong as its weakest link. For that reason and others, Lindblade penned a Racial Equity Agenda for the business community to help those underserved and economically challenged entrepreneurs. The Chamber's Level Up program focuses efforts on scaling Black female-owned businesses. He steadfastly promotes the destination and is continually working to upgrade its assets whether it is the Port, airport, environment, cultural arts, access to talent, and so much more. Throughout his work in the 90s to merge the Pompano Association of Realtors into the Greater Fort Lauderdale Association of Realtors and his 17 years as head of the Chamber, he is a constant steward of Fort Lauderdale not only as a place to raise a family, but to relocate a business and to enjoy all the rich assets available.

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Dan has nearly four decades of award-winning organizational management experience at national, state and local levels. For 17 years, Lindblade has led Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce through the region's single largest economic expansion in its history. He is leading the regional call for action of the business community on resiliency and social equality issues to name but two. He educates on behalf of business issues and interests and focuses on inspiring prosperity. Lindblade is a Certified Association Executive (CAE), is the immediate past chair of the Housing Authority of Fort Lauderdale, is on the Orange Bowl Committee, co-chairs the Resiliency Council of the Prosperity Partnership, serves on the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance Board of Directors, the Broward Business Council on Homeless, the Racial Equity Task Force for Broward County, Winterfest Boat Parade's Executive Committee, is chair of the Florida

Submitted by: Lisa Scott-Founds

Phone number: 954-767-0686

Email: Lisa@winterfestparade.com

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1. Nominated Honoree information:

Name of Nominated Jacqueline Lorber
Honoree:
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City Wilton Manors
State Florida
Zip Code: 33305
Phone: (954) 522-8445
Email Address: jlorber@southfloridasymphony.org

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Jacqueline Lorber is the CEO / President of the South Florida Symphony Orchestra (SFSO). She is a dynamic, award-winning entrepreneur and results-oriented executive recognized for her collaborative business approach and fundraising expertise, skills which have led to the development of successful, multi-million-dollar enterprises.

Her public service and commitment to community began when she was a just a young teen, when she joined forces with other preservation minded folks to implement the Miami Design Preservation League's

initiatives for Miami Beach.

To date, Jacqueline has raised more than \$40 million for nonprofits in South Florida. Among her greatest accomplishments is the growth of the South Florida Symphony Orchestra to over 50 concerts and events with a \$2 million annual budget.

Originally the Key West Symphony, founded by Maestra Sebrina Alfonso 26 years ago, South Florida Symphony came to the mainland in 2013, when Jacqueline joined forces with the organization. After the Florida Philharmonic folded in 2003, this left Fort Lauderdale and the South Florida community without access to its own professional orchestra. Together, Sebrina and Jacqueline grew the organization to the largest professional orchestra in the region. These efforts have enhanced the quality of life for our community, adding to the Fort Lauderdale cultural landscape and making it an attractive place to live, work, visit and play.

Jacqueline has been a visionary in growing the organization's Symphony in the Schools' music education program, which has reached more than 100,000 children since its inception, providing young people with critical exposure to the classical arts; and therefore, enriching their lives through the power of music.

Jacqueline was recognized at the Outshine Film Festival for her contributions to the arts, has joined with other arts organizations to create "Culture Cares," raising funds for Parkland High School victims, for the Bahamas Hurricane relief efforts, and other disasters. She has a deep commitment to the Broward County community, as a resident, and was in Leadership Broward Class IX. The SFSO has become a highly respected institution as evidenced by its recognition as 'Partner in the Arts' by the Broward's Center's Kelley Shanley due to its artistic excellence, alignment of mission, and commitment to education. In November 2022, Jacqueline and SFSO Music Director Sebrina Alfonso were honored with an "Ally Award" by Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce GLBX. Jacqueline was also recently honored by the Harvey Milk Foundation and the Pride Center with a Diversity Honors Award for transforming lives by living authentically and advancing inclusiveness.

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South Florida Symphony has been woven into the orchestral fabric of the region through Jacqueline's strategic leadership. SFSO has become an organization whose economic impact touches the lives of thousands of students, musicians, staff, venues, and community partners each year. Her deep commitment to the community, her strategic partnerships, and her public service make her a visionary leader and exemplary citizen.

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5. This nomination was submitted by:

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Name of nominated honoree: Carlton B. Moore (Deceased)

Address: N/A

City, State, Zip Code: N/A

Home Phone: N/A Office: --- Cell: N/A

Email: N/A

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Carlton B. Moore's contributions to the community began while in elementary school, where he and 7 other black students integrated Rock Island Elementary School. He continued to be a stalwart for racial equity years later while attending Fort Lauderdale High School. Moore took a stand on behalf of his black peers by leading a demonstration that successfully led to black students being able to participate in extracurricular activities.

Decades later, Mr. Moore continued making a tremendous impact on the City of Fort Lauderdale and its citizens, while serving as City Commissioner of District III for 20 years. In this capacity, his commitment to the city, in which he was raised, became crystal clear through several of his achievements and accomplishments. He was known as a strong advocate for improving the city's predominantly black northwest corridor and worked to revitalize neighborhoods and businesses in this area, spearheading initiatives in affordable housing, economic development and job creation.

2. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Carlton B. Moore is deserving of this award because he was always on the front line fighting for the people of Fort Lauderdale. He advocated making sure the voices of his community were heard. He always worked to build strong allies and partnerships with other elected officials and community leaders, to support the mutual interests of the community. His name is synonymous with growth & advancement for the city. Had it not been for Mr. Moore, organizations and initiatives like the Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials of Broward County, and The Fort Lauderdale CRA may not have existed. The Fort Lauderdale CRA alone is responsible for 100s of millions of dollars for redevelopment projects throughout the City of Fort Lauderdale.

When we look at what the City of Fort Lauderdale is today, we can not relish in its tremendous growth without acknowledging Mr. Moore. His vision and hard work continues to make a lasting impact on this city, and we all continue to benefit from the fruits of his labor.

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Carlton B. Moore was born on August 23, 1953 in Tampa, Florida. In 1960, Carlton moved with his mother Ada B. Moore and his three siblings to Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He lived in Fort Lauderdale until his death in 2014. During these years, he served as president for a variety of organizations including Ft. Lauderdale NAACP, Florida Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials, the Metropolitan YMCA, and chairman of the South Florida Regional Planning Council. After serving as City Commissioner, Moore went on to consult for the City of Pompano Beach, as well as serving as VP of McKinley Financial Services. Carlton was an avid traveler, Miami Heat fan, jazz enthusiast and enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson motorcycles. Mr. Moore was also an outstanding father to his two sons, Martin & Forrest Moore.

Submitted by: Forrest Moore, President - Carlton B. Moore Freedom Foundation

Phone number: 754-214-7248 Email: mrforrestmoore@gmail.com

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Name of Nominated Joe O'Donnell
Honoree:
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State Florida
Zip Code: 33304
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Email Address: Wdparrot@aol.com

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Joe O'Donnell has had a tremendous amount of accomplishments and contributions to our community. Here's a short list of some of the most memorable: Annual life Guard fundraiser to help compete nationally for 25+ years, Pride Parade Committee, Turtle OP Headquarters fundraisers, Thresher Aquatics fundraiser (a nonprofit that facilitates scuba diving for children, adults and Veterans with disabilities) and the Art of the Sea's fundraiser. He also donates 100% of the proceeds of Breast Cancer awareness T-shirts to a Breast Cancer after care boutique, as well as donates to Birch State Park, has gone on multiple mission trips to Costa Rica, has worked with Habitat for Humanity and volunteers with the homeless ministry at Christ

Church. In addition to all of the above (and more), Joe spear headed becoming Ft. Lauderdale's First Ocean Friendly restaurant recognized by Surfrider Foundation in 2017. He has been committed to staying an eco friendly business since then and hosts monthly beach clean ups. Joe is all around a great service to our community. He is proud yet humble to be a part of Ft. Lauderdale Beach's history both in the past and in the future.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

We believe Joe is an exceptional candidate to be chosen as the 2024 Walk Of Fame. He's genuine, honorable and has been selflessly driven to give back to his community for 45+ years.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Joe was born in Southwest Philadelphia in 1956. He moved to Ft. Lauderdale Beach in 1978 at 21 years old. The same year, he started bar-backing at the World Famous Parrot Lounge. By 1990 he was the General Manger and then became part owner by the early 2000's. He met his now wife, Judy in 1984 and got married in 1986. They had two kids, John and Molly. John is now following in his father's footsteps at the World Famous Parrot Lounge and Molly lives in Philadelphia and will be married in June!

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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1. Nominated Honoree information:

Name of Nominated Bruce Roberts
Honoree:
Address: 2113 N E 64 Street
City Fort Lauderdale
State Florida
Zip Code: 33308
Phone: (954) 547-9029
Email Address: roberts0576@gmail.com

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Bruce Roberts has served the Fort Lauderdale community for over 50 years. He began his career as a Fort Lauderdale Police Officer and moved through the ranks from patrol officer to detective to Captain, culminating with his selection as Chief of Police in October of 2001. He served in that position with great distinction for seven years. His desire to continue serving the Fort Lauderdale Community after his career in the Police Department resulted in his decision to run for election to the City Commission in 2009. He served two terms representing District 1. During his tenure as Police Chief and later City Commissioner Bruce Roberts served on multiple boards and commissions including the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of

Commerce, the Florida and Broward County Police Chiefs Association, the Advisory Board of the Broward County Crime Commission, the Broward County Commission on Substance Abuse, the Broward County Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Downtown Fort Lauderdale Transportation Management Association, the Florida League of Cities - Urban Administration Committee and the Broward County Consolidated Communications Committee. As Police Chief he worked with and coordinated efforts of Fire-Rescue, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, and the offices of the City Attorney, Procurement, and Budget in support of the Air and Sea Show, the annual Boat Show and the Organization of American States conference.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Bruce Roberts has worked for and with the City of Fort Lauderdale for over 50 years. His contributions and accomplishments as a member of both the Fort Lauderdale Police Department and later the City Commissioner representing District 1 are extensive. His entire adult life has been spent in service to our city. From his early days as a patrol officer keeping the area he was assigned to safe, to his role as Police Chief where he was responsible for the safety and security of the entire city as well as all of the officers under his command, Bruce Roberts in no small way contributed to making Fort Lauderdale one of the best places to live, work, play, visit and raise a family. This environment has contributed to bringing visitors, major events and business enterprises here that have offered employment opportunities for our city residents and poured millions of dollars into our local economy each year.

Bruce Roberts is a man of unquestioned character and integrity. The city can point to him with great pride not only as someone who represents the very best of what our city hopes our citizens will become but also as a role model and leader who shows us the way.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Bruce and his family moved to Fort Lauderdale in 1964. He and his three brothers attended Cardinal Gibbons High School with Bruce being the first of the four to graduate in 1966. Following high school, he graduated from St Thomas University in Miami with a bachelor's degree in public administration/criminal justice. He began his career with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department in 1973 and rose through the ranks to ultimately become Chief of Police in 2001. After 45 years of service to the city as a member of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department Bruce turned his attention to another area of public service where he felt the need to contribute. He served two terms as a City Commissioner during a period when the city significantly reduced the size of city government by consolidating departments, while encouraging thousands of new businesses to make Fort Lauderdale their home. Eight new parks were opened, and thirteen parks were fitted with lightning warning systems while recreational programs for youth throughout the city were expanded. Citizen participation in government increased through active partnership with advisory boards and homeowners' associations.

Bruce has been married to his wife, Scharlene, since 1979 and they have lived in their current home in Imperial Point since 1992. Bruce and Scharlene's two children also graduated from Cardinal Gibbons High School where they excelled both academically and athletically. Bruce and his family have been active participants and great representatives of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

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Honoree:
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City Fort Lauderdale
State Florida
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Email Address: roberts0576@gmail.com

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Bruce Roberts has served the City of Fort Lauderdale as a public official virtually continuously from 1973 until the end of his second term as District 1 Commissioner. He first began his service in 1973 when he entered law enforcement as a police officer. Bruce saw service as a patrol officer and detective. He worked his way through the ranks to his appointment as Chief of Police. He served in that position from October 2001 until May 2008. As Chief, Bruce enabled Fort Lauderdale to enjoy the two lowest crime rates in the history of the City since 1974. Under his leadership, the Police Department was removed from a consent decree from the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division because of the improvements he made to

diversity hiring and promotion. The Department earned reaccreditation twice by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation.

His efforts as a police officer, and ultimately Chief, provided a secure and safe place for the citizens of Fort Lauderdale to live and work from the youngest to the oldest. That safety was a fundamental benefit to the balanced economic growth of the City of Fort Lauderdale. Several of the command staff who worked for and were promoted by Bruce are now Chiefs of Police in cities across the United States, further adding national distinction to the City of Fort Lauderdale as a place to visit and live.

Bruce continued his public service in 2009 by serving as City Commissioner in District 1, including serving as Vice Mayor. He expanded transparency and public participation in decision making by the City. He emphasized continued progress in public safety and the rational development of Fort Lauderdale balanced against appropriate environmental concerns. He also served on multiple professional and civic organizations from economic development, such as the Chamber of Commerce and the Florida League of Cities, to criminal reform and social justice organizations, such as the Broward County Commission on Substance Abuse, the Broward Works Criminal Justice Committee, and the Ft. Lauderdale Police Officers Association.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Bruce has served the City of Fort Lauderdale in an extraordinary fashion from 1973 to the present. He has done so as a police officer to Chief of Police to City Commissioner and Vice Mayor. He has positively affected the community in exemplary ways from the elimination of a consent decree imposed by the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division to enhanced transparency and balanced economic development for the City of Fort Lauderdale. He has done so while serving on multiple professional and civic organizations. Please see the response to Q1 and Q3 for expanded information regarding these accomplishments and his background.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Bruce grew up in District 1. He and his three brothers graduated from Cardinal Gibbons High School. Bruce has been married to his wife, Scharlene, since 1979, and they have lived in their current home in Imperial Point since 1992. Bruce and Scharlene's two children also graduated from Cardinal Gibbons High School. Bruce holds a bachelor's degree in Public Administration / Criminal Justice from St. Thomas University.

He served the citizens of Fort Lauderdale since 1973, entering the law enforcement profession as a police officer. Bruce saw service as a patrol officer, S.W.A.T. team member and detective. He worked his way through the ranks to his appointment as Chief of Police. He served in that position from October 2001 until May 2008. Among his many accomplishments as Chief:

- Fort Lauderdale enjoyed the two lowest crime rates in the history of the City since 1974.
- The Police Department was removed from a consent decree from the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division because of the changes made specifically to diversity hiring and promotion in the Department.
- The Department earned reaccreditation twice by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation.

These accomplishments required that Bruce incorporate his working knowledge of other City departments and his relationships with other department directors and agencies. Examples include coordination of services for events such as the Air & Sea Show, the Boat Show, and the Organization of American States Conference. These services are drawn from Police, Fire-Rescue, Public Works, Parks, the City Attorney, Budget Office, and Procurement. The recognition for achieving a diverse Police Department could not have been accomplished without meshing the department's hiring plan with resources from the Human Resources Department and the City Attorney's Office.

Bruce then served with distinction as City Commissioner for District 1 in Fort Lauderdale starting in 2009 for two consecutive terms, including as Vice Mayor. His accomplishments included enhanced citizen participation in government decisions; effective and efficient public safety and reduction of crime; collegial leadership on the City Commission; balanced economic development that protected the City's neighborhoods and greenspaces; and the establishment of a vision for the future to encourage Fort Lauderdale as a destination to work and live.

He also served professional and civic organizations, including the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce, the Florida and Broward County Police Chiefs Associations, the Advisory Board of the Broward County Crime Commission, the Broward County Commission on Substance Abuse, the Broward Workshop Criminal Justice Committee, the Fort Lauderdale Police Officers Association, and the Fraternal Order of Police. Additional appointments included the Broward County Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Downtown Fort Lauderdale Transportation Management Association, the Florida League of Cities – Urban Administration Committee, and the Broward County Consolidated Communications Committee.

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2024 WALK OF FAME HONOREE NOMINATION FORM

The City established the Walk of Fame in 2010 at the inaugural Great American Beach Party to pay tribute to the legendary Connie Francis on the 50th Anniversary of “Where the Boys Are,” the 1960 film which made Fort Lauderdale an overnight sensation and a “must see” destination for visitors.

Walk of Fame Honorees are recognized by making sustained, positive impacts in one or more of the areas listed below but not limited to:

- Providing a positive outlook for the future of our youth,
- Contributing to the quality of life for our citizens,
- Fostering the spirit of our community,
- Bringing positive recognition to the City, locally or nationally,
- Making Fort Lauderdale a place to live, work, or play,
- Encouraging people to visit Fort Lauderdale as a destination of choice.

As part of the awards program, each honoree receives a commemorative paver that is placed in the Walk of Fame to memorialize their outstanding accomplishments. The Fort Lauderdale Walk of Fame is located on the beach along the east side of A1A at Las Olas Boulevard. Walk of Fame Honorees are announced at the Great American Beach Party, which is tentatively scheduled to take place on the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend.

If you would like to submit a nomination for the 2024 Great American Beach Party Walk of Fame, please complete the information below. You may also submit additional background material such as media copy. Please limit to 10 additional pages. The deadline for the 2024 Great American Beach Party Walk of Fame nomination is **Friday, December 29, 2023.**

Nominated Honoree information:

Name of nominated honoree: Daphnee Sainvil

Address: City Employee

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Office: _____ Cell: _____

Email: dsainvil@fortlauderdale.gov

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1. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Daphnee has served as Liaison from the Economic Development Advisory Board, which I serve as Chair, to the City government for some time now. I find her to be caring and realistic in helping our Board accomplish its goals. She specifically has worked with us on our goals, setting realistic goals. She is so dedicated to the success of our city.

In addition to the above, she works tirelessly in the lobbying efforts of the City with Florida legislature and other government bodies.

2. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

I know for a fact her complete dedication first hand. I get emails late at night answering ones I have sent to her. It is a big job, and I don't think many people could perform it with the competence and grace that Daphnee does.

She forces our Board to be realistic in the things we can accomplish. Her knowledge of the city personnel and innerworkings have been invaluable.

3. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Submitted by: Michael F Stara, Chair, Economic Development Advisory Board

Phone number: 215-514-2095 Email: mstara@eastcoastconsulting.com

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All nominations must be received by December 29, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Nominations and background materials submitted after Friday, December 29, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. will not be accepted. **Incomplete nominations will not be considered.** If you have any questions, contact Joshua Carden at 954-828-5044 or email JCarden@fortlauderdale.gov, or Melissa Mata at 954-828-6182 or email at MMata@fortlauderdale.gov.

Mail your submission to:

Joshua Carden
City of Fort Lauderdale
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Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

E-mail your submission to:

JCarden@fortlauderdale.gov
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1. Nominated Honoree information:

Name of Nominated Beth Shaw
Honoree:
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City Fort Lauderdale
State Florida
Zip Code: 33304
Phone: (310) 989-1287
Email Address: beth@yogafit.com

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

I am writing to enthusiastically nominate Beth Shaw for the Walk of Fame Award in recognition of her outstanding contributions to the quality of life for citizens, the enhancement of Fort Lauderdale as a vibrant place to live, work, or play, and her unwavering efforts to position Fort Lauderdale as a destination of choice.

Beth Shaw is the founder and CEO of YogaFit Training Systems Worldwide Inc, the #1 global leader in yoga teacher training and certification with a vast network of over 250,000 instructors. Beth has been

centralizing her company in Fort Lauderdale, thereby significantly contributing to the city's appeal. Her entrepreneurial vision and dedication have played a crucial role in attracting a diverse and dynamic population to our community.

As a wellness expert, Beth has tirelessly worked towards improving the quality of life for our citizens. Her commitment to well-being extends beyond her business, and she actively engages with the community by hosting various events that promote health and wellness in Fort Lauderdale. These events not only contribute to the physical and mental well-being of our residents but also create a positive and vibrant atmosphere within the city.

Beth's influence is not confined to Fort Lauderdale residents; she actively encourages people to visit our city as a destination of choice. Through her strategic partnerships and collaborative efforts with several businesses around the globe, she has not only strengthened the local economy but has also attracted visitors who contribute to the city's tourism industry.

Beth Shaw's financial contributions, combined with her dedication to the well-being of our citizens and the promotion of Fort Lauderdale as a desirable destination, make her an exemplary candidate for the Walk of Fame Award. Her impact resonates not only within the business community but also among residents and visitors alike.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Beth is deserving of the Walk of Fame Award for her unwavering commitment to making Fort Lauderdale a hub for health and wellness. As the founder of a company with over 250,000 members, her efforts in centralizing her business in the city, hosting wellness events, and actively contributing to the community's well-being showcase her dedication to transforming Fort Lauderdale into a destination known for its commitment to health and quality of life.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Beth Shaw is a pioneer in North America's Wellness, Yoga, and Fitness space. In 1994, she founded the global mind-body education school YogaFit Worldwide, which has certified over 250,000 instructors around the globe. A certified yoga therapist, experienced registered yoga teacher, and Harvard Business School graduate, Beth is the author of four best-selling books: YogaFit, YogaLean, The YogaFit Athlete, and Healing Trauma with Yoga. Her podcast show, Make America Healthy, is on the mission to educate and empower individuals to take control of their health. She is passionate about yoga and meditation as tools to enhance physical, mental, and spiritual health.

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Honoree:
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City PARKLAND
State Florida
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2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

- Providing a positive outlook for the future of our youth - Michael has been part of Junior Achievement program as an inclassroom mentor, DECA supporter by placing students in internship programs over the past 40 years working in the the Tourism industry and today in his Marina, Michael as a former National Outstanding Business of the Year award recipient at the national convention and Companies of the Year, understand the impact companies can and do have on the youth of our communities to give guidance in working in our destination.
- Contributing to the quality of life for our citizens,

Serving on several community board, marketing advisory committee (MAC) for Broward County for 15 years, Broward County Cultural Affairs Committee.

- Fostering the spirit of our community, Michael has been part of and attendee at so many different local events as well as serving as a volunteer and a financial contributor to many.
- Bringing positive recognition to the City, locally or nationally, awarded several times and the only US company to achieve Operator of the Year Awards Twice in the same year at the International Convention of the National Limousine Association, as well as the International Taxi Cab Association. Three times President of the Hospitality Sales and Marketing Association, even awarded Citizen of the Day by Broward County.
- Making Fort Lauderdale a place to live, work, or play, Michael has been part of the Tourism Landscape since early 1987, he has made his life his work and his commitment to our destination a life long labor of love.
- Encouraging people to visit Fort Lauderdale as a destination of choice. Michael has been an attendee of no less than 100 international trade and tourism conventions, selling and sharing and contributing to the efforts of Branding our destination the best place to visit, live and play.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Michael Solomon is a long-time respected member of our destination since his arrival in 1986 and he has made a lasting impact on the city through his diverse career and community involvement.

Michael ultimately earned the role of President at Gray Line of Fort Lauderdale, which later paved the way for his involvement in various South Florida companies, including a Sport Fishing Fleet, Rental Boat Company, and Auto Restoration Company, an Auto Repair Company, Cloud Services Company, USA Transportation | Dav El of South Florida, and various construction projects. Michael was successful in securing exclusive transportation contracts with our South Florida Resort and Hotels, bolstering the hospitality industry.

Michael has consistently provided a positive outlook for the city's youth, engaging in mentorship programs like Junior Achievement and offering internships to DECA students, sharing his extensive knowledge from his four-decade-long tenure in the tourism industry.

Michael has contributed to the quality of life by actively serving on community boards, including the Broward County Marketing Advisory Committee (MAC) for nearly 15 years and the Broward County Cultural Affairs Committee.

Fostering the spirit of community, Michael has been a dedicated volunteer and financial supporter of numerous local events and causes.

His remarkable achievements haven't gone unnoticed; Michael received national recognition, earning Operator of the Year Awards from both the National Limousine Association and the International Taxicab Association several times recognizing his South Florida Company USA Transportation. He's served Chairman and as President three times for the Hospitality Sales and Marketing Association and was even honored as Broward County's Citizen of the Day by the Broward County Commission.

Throughout his career, Michael has worked tirelessly to make Fort Lauderdale an attractive place to live, work, and play, dedicating his life to promoting and enhancing the city's tourism landscape.

Michael's commitment to Fort Lauderdale extends to his attendance at over 100 international trade and tourism conventions, actively contributing to the branding and recognition of Fort Lauderdale as a premier destination.

His impressive career achievements and unwavering community involvement have undeniably played a significant role in making Fort Lauderdale a thriving city and have rightfully earned him a place of honor on the city's Walk of Fame.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Michael P. Solomon

Experience

2021 to Present - President and CFO - Lady Pamela Sport Fishing, Lady Pamela Marina, Rentalboat.com and Lois Ann Cruises, Formerly located at the Bahia Mar, now in Hollywood. Graveyard Classics Auto Restoration Company Located in Fort Lauderdale and recently Laytons Auto Repair and Storage also located in Fort Lauderdale.

2001 to Present President and CEO, (2001-2011, Executive Vice President) Fort Lauderdale Transportation, Inc. dba USA Transportation.

Taxi USA, LLC, (which became NBRS USA Holdings, LLC) Nashville Cab, Kennedy Cab, Allied Cab, Yellow Cab of Charlotte, Taxi Taxi of Charlotte, American Cab, Eagle Cab, Charlotte, Green Cab, Taxi Taxi Palm Beach, Taxi Taxi of Raleigh, Raleigh, Taxi Taxi of Nashville, Nashville, Taxi 7, Louisville & 1-800-Taxicab, Raleigh.

Launched new Taxi Operations east of the Mississippi that focus on hospitality transportation. Direct and manage the entire operation including five cities, with approximately 800 vehicles and drivers. Successfully introduced and oversee exclusive transportation contracts with hotels in the South Florida Market. Develop long-range sales goals and marketing objectives that focus on customer service delivery for both the hotel and the visitor. Implement and monitor quality assurance measures and compile operational data to evaluate the profitability and operational effectiveness of each property.

1997 - 2001 President, Airocar, Inc. Gray Line of Fort Lauderdale. Developing programs to provide shuttle services to Fort Lauderdale Hotels to and From the Broward County Convention Center for convention attendees. Managed 210 vehicles along with professional drivers. Contracted with all the Cruise Lines moving their passenger on the Pre and Post Cruise transportation.

1988 - 1997 Director of Sales and Operations, Airocar, Inc. dba Gray Line of Fort Lauderdale, Fort Myers, Naples, West Palm Beach, Oversee all sales, marketing and operations including; safety, training and maintenance. Development and coordination of public relations programs, budgeting, forecasting, office management; monitoring of cash flow and development of the annual business plan. Management of over 240 drivers, administrative and guest service/sales support staff.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Chairman, Hospitality Sales & Marketing Association International

President, Hospitality Sales & Marketing Association International (Three Times)

Recipient of 2002, HSMAI Member of the Year award. United States Operator of the Year, By LCT Magazine, United States Operator of the Year, By the NLA Magazine

Member, Florida Limousine Association (FLA) Two Years as Chairman

Member, National Limousine Association (NLA)

Member, Meeting Planners International (MPI)

Past Member, Greater Fort Lauderdale Marketing Advisory Council 2005-2020

Past Member, Fort Lauderdale Executive Association

Past Member, Broward County Cultural Council

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1. Nominated Honoree information:

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Honoree:
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2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Joy Strempack, popularly known as DJ Joy Joy with Sol Inspire Records, is a celebrated DJ in numerous venues around Fort Lauderdale. She holds a regular DJ position at Lobster Bar on Las Olas, Sparrow Rooftop at Dalmar Hotel, Fitz Bar and Lounge, among others. Not only limited to Fort Lauderdale, she also plays at venues in Miami, West Palm Beach. Joy has been named Best of Broward DJ by "Living in Broward" this year.

Having been a resident of Fort Lauderdale since year 2000, Joy is a vocal advocate for her city. In addition to

her musical pursuits, Joy is the creative director and owner of Go Green Eco Bins, a company that provides free public recycling services in Fort Lauderdale, also a long time middle school teacher in Fort Lauderdale

Furthermore, she consistently uses her music as a means to support the LGBTQ community. Recently, she headlined this year's Wicked Manors Halloween festival, organized by the Pride Center in Wilton Manors. She is also a supporter of Art Serve in Fort Lauderdale. Joy's passion extends beyond music into promoting inclusivity and sustainability within Fort Lauderdale community.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Joy has been spreading happiness and awareness while fostering connections in Fort Lauderdale through music, recycling program and education. Her ultimate aspiration is to contribute substantially to philanthropic endeavors within her community. She continues to make a significant impact on environmental matters and issues of diversity, and to use her platform of music and creativity even further. As a Fort Lauderdale resident for more than 23 years, a Fort Lauderdale teacher more than 17 years and a Fort Lauderdale business owner more than 20 years. Joy absolutely deserves this award and receives this recognition.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Originally from Taiwan, Joy moved to the US in 1996. Her diverse educational background includes a Bachelor's degree in Literature from the most prestigious National Taiwan University, a Master's in Linguistics from the Ohio State University, and another Master's in Computer Science. Over the years, she has evolved into a multitasking personality, being an artist, musician, entrepreneur, environmentalist, educator, graphic designer, DJ, and activist.

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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1. Nominated Honoree information:

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Honoree:
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City Fort Lauderdale
State Florida
Zip Code: 33301
Phone: (954) 525-7500
Email Address: dds@trippscott.com

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Norman Tripp founded Tripp Scott Law Firm in 1969 and built his namesake law firm into a regional powerhouse with nearly 50 attorneys. But his true passion was education and building the Fort Lauderdale community through educational opportunity.

Throughout his life, Tripp served on numerous university boards and civic organizations that promoted affordable, equitable education opportunities across the state.

After founding Tripp Scott, he became outside general counsel to Alamo Rent A Car. He was also part owner of the company that brought countless jobs and opportunity to the area. He served as chairman of the Board of Trustees of Florida Atlantic University, a trustee for the University of Miami, and chair and vice-chair of the State of Florida Board of Community Colleges. In addition, he was a member of the Advisory Board of the Huizenga School of Business at Nova Southeastern University. In 2008, he was appointed to the Florida Board of Governors for the State University System.

A founding benefactor of the Community Foundation of Broward, he initiated the Tripp Fund for Educational Opportunity and the Tripp Scott Fund for Community Diversity. In 1998, he successfully spearheaded the citizens' campaign for passage of the Broward County Public Library bond issue.

For his efforts in the redevelopment of the International Swimming Hall of Fame, he was awarded the International Swimming Hall of Fame President's Award for his exceptional achievement in promoting the mission of the organization.

(Norman Tripp died in 9/2021)

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Norman Tripp's name remains a prominent part of the Tripp Scott Law Firm and his sense of purpose has been instilled into the firm's culture. Norman founded Tripp Scott in 1969 and through his hard work and legal acumen, helped build it into one of the most trusted and respected firms in the state.

He was passionate about educational opportunity and made it his mission to ensure a more level playing field. Through his efforts to preserve the county's libraries, create scholarship funds, and serve on the Board of the State University System have ensured better educational opportunity for everyone in Florida, the county and Fort Lauderdale.

From his work with Alamo Rent a Car and Tripp Scott to his dedication to preserving and improving the International Swimming Hall of Fame, his vision and legal skill helped contribute to the transformation of Fort Lauderdale from a quiet beach town to a world class destination for business.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Norman D. Tripp, chairman emeritus of Tripp Scott, founded the firm in 1969. He has led the firm's growth as it has responded to client's needs and helped build the entrepreneur, business development, finance, environmental, employment, real estate and technology law practices.

Through the years, Tripp's reputation for achieving results has helped to attract numerous national clients to the firm. Furthermore, his strategic counsel has helped local entrepreneurial companies grow into international models of business excellence.

A well-known community activist, Tripp is dedicated to improving government, education and diversity. He has served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Florida Atlantic University. In addition, he is a member of the Advisory Board of the Huizenga School of Business at Nova Southeastern University and a member of the Board of the South Florida Board for the Annenberg Challenge Grant. He is presently on the Board of Governors of the State of Florida.

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spearheaded the citizens' campaign for passage of the Broward County Public Library Bond Issue. Tripp is a former Board Member and Chairman of Florida's State Board of Community Colleges and the Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority.

Tripp has received numerous honors in recognition of his community contributions, including the 2001 Outstanding Citizens Award from the Florida Library Association and the 2001 Tribute-to-the-Family Award from the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. In 1988, he received the Child Advocate-of-the-Year Award and the University of Miami College of Arts and Science's Outstanding Alumni Award.

Tripp holds a law degree, magna cum laude, from Cleveland State University and a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Miami.

Former Trustee – University of Miami

Member for many years of the City of Fort Lauderdale Planning and Zoning Board

Member of the City of Fort Lauderdale Board of Adjustment

Recipient of Leadership Broward Foundation Inc.'s "Leader of the Year"

Broward Economic Development Council's Spirit of Broward Award – Over-all Community Leader

Tripp Family Art Gallery at the Swimming Hall of Fame

Support of Swimming Hall of Fame and advocate for state funding of the Hall of Fame

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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1. Nominated Honoree information:

Name of Nominated Steve Trotter
Honoree:
Address: 1010 S Ocean Blvd Apt 1616
City Pompano Beach
State Florida
Zip Code: 33062
Phone: (954) 683-4527
Email Address: rugbydan@bellsouth.net

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Steve Trotter was a positive, friendly person who loved making friends and helping animals.

The volunteer work he was most proud of was with local animal hospitals and the ASPCA. He was very good at finding specific pets for his friends in animal shelters and fostered many dogs himself until they found the right owners. He was also a 20+ year parishioner at St. Anthony Catholic Church, often helping with festivals or fund-raising activities.

Steve also was sure to give credit and positive publicity to the city of Fort Lauderdale and his many friends who helped with his Niagara Falls adventures. Whether it was in various newspaper or magazine articles, radio/TV appearances or his time with Johnny Carson on the Tonight Show he always put forth his fun personality, which led to dozens of people visiting Fort Lauderdale to seek him out and meet him.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Steven Thorne Trotter was clearly the best known bartender or restaurant employee on The Strip during the Spring Break era as well as for 15 or so years afterwards in Fort Lauderdale as a whole. His family, the 400+ people who signed the attached petition and myself feel that he would be the best representative of the FTL hospitality industry that could be considered worthy of a Walk of Fame induction.

His personality and skills as a hospitality worker were only surpassed by his thrill-seeking spirit. His two trips over Niagara Falls (the second in 1995 with a female partner) put his name in the record books and Fort Lauderdale on the lips of travelers around the world. Restaurants and nightclubs in all of South Florida asked him to work for them on his off-nights from his regular bartending shifts because of the extra business and publicity he would bring in.

A documentary on his life and career is planned and his induction onto the Walk of Fame would be the perfect ending for the film!

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

25+ years a member of the Fort Lauderdale hospitality industry.

Went over Niagara Falls in a barrel (solo) in 1985, followed by an appearance on the Tonight Show with Johnny Carson (alongside Gary Busey and Roseanne Barr). Also voted as one of the "10 Sexiest Men in the World" by Mademoiselle magazine in the March 1986 issue.

Went over Niagara Falls for a second time in 1995. However, on this trip he was accompanied in the barrel by Lori Martin, a longtime friend/co-worker. Steve and Lori became the first co-ed pair to go over the Falls together.

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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1. Nominated Honoree information:

Name of Nominated Lisa A. Vecchi
Honoree:
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City Fort Lauderdale
State Florida
Zip Code: 33316
Phone: (954) 764-2800 ext. 305
Email Address: lisav@browardhousingsolutions.org

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Lisa Vecchi's 16-year tenure at the helm of Broward Housing Solutions (BHS) reflects a steadfast commitment to the organization's mission. Through her leadership, the organization has achieved significant milestones, securing funding and support for 197 housing units across Broward County. Lisa's focus on addressing the housing needs of individuals diagnosed with mental illness, particularly those who are homeless or have limited income, has resulted in tangible outcomes that provide a permanent and affordable solution. Her dedication to advocacy, education, and engagement has shed light on the challenges faced by vulnerable adults and families with children, leading to positive impacts on the lives of

358 individuals who now have a secure place to call home.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Broward Housing Solutions (BHS) has flourished under Lisa's leadership, diversifying its housing initiatives to meet the varied needs of the community. Under her guidance, BHS now provides housing solutions for young adults transitioning from foster care, Senior Solutions for the elderly in Fort Lauderdale and Coral Springs, and the Home for the Brave residence in Pompano Beach dedicated to Veterans. BHS manages various rental housing options and lease-to-buy properties throughout Broward County, totaling 197 housing units with 1, 2, or 3 bedroom homes. Lisa's visionary approach has not only broadened housing availability but has also fostered partnerships for residents, offering social security disability assistance, mental health services through community behavioral health providers, and essential services such as transportation and employment opportunities. Lisa's success in grant writing has resulted in numerous awards, providing crucial rental subsidies for residents. Through this comprehensive support network, residents experience a caring and professionally supportive environment within furnished affordable housing units, empowering them on their journey to recovery. Lisa's unwavering commitment, combined with the dedication of her small team, continues to make Broward Housing Solutions a life-changing force in the community, offering hope and a permanent home to individuals one at a time.

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Over the past sixteen (16) years, Lisa Vecchi has held the position of President and CEO at Broward Housing Solutions, a prominent 501(c)(3) non-profit organization in Broward County. Specializing in providing affordable housing to individuals grappling with homelessness and mental illness, the organization has thrived under Lisa's leadership. Lisa is a distinguished graduate of Leadership Broward and holds an Executive Masters of Business Administration from Florida International University. Beyond her role at Broward Housing Solutions, Lisa's influence extends to serving on Statewide Advisory Councils, local boards, and coalitions. Her extensive background includes tireless devotion, advocacy, and influential work in behavioral health, garnering recognition over the years. Lisa remains a steadfast leader in Broward County, making enduring contributions to the community.

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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As part of the awards program, each honoree receives a commemorative paver that is placed in the Walk of Fame to memorialize their outstanding accomplishments. The Fort Lauderdale Walk of Fame is located on the beach along the east side of A1A at Las Olas Boulevard. Walk of Fame Honorees are announced at the Great American Beach Party, which is tentatively scheduled to take place on the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend.

If you would like to submit a nomination for the 2024 Great American Beach Party Walk of Fame, please complete the information below. You may also submit additional background material such as media copy. Please limit to 10 additional pages. **The deadline for the 2024 Walk of Fame nominations have been extended to FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.**

Nominated Honoree information:

Name of nominated honoree: Lisa Vecchi

Address: 305 SE 18th Court

City, State, Zip Code: Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33316

Home Phone: _____ Office: 954-764-2800 Cell: 954-554-0471

Email: Lisav@browardhousingolutions.org

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Lisa Vecchi is the embodiment of the Mission of Broward Housing Solutions (BHS) as demonstrated in the outcomes that this organization has achieved under her leadership. She has shepherded BHS over the past 16 years, driving impactful initiatives that has resulted in funding and financial support in order to provide permanent, affordable and independent housing in Broward County to meet the needs of persons diagnosed with a mental illness who are homeless, with low to no income. She continues to shine a light on the plight of vulnerable adults and families with children who need a safe and secure place to call home, through persistent outreach, education, speaking engagements, and together with the support of her Board of Directors, Broward Housing Solutions has achieved meaningful milestones, whereby there are now 197 housing units spread across Broward County serving 358 persons, including those with children who now have a place to call home. These achievements reflect Lisa's personal dedication and inspirational leadership that has positively impacted the lives of the most vulnerable in Broward County.

2. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Under Lisa's leadership, Broward Housing Solutions (BHS) has grown to now include housing for young adults aging out of the foster care system, Seniors Solutions in Ft. Lauderdale and Coral Springs for the elderly, Home for the Brave, a residence in Pompano Beach for Veterans, and numerous other rental housing as well as lease-to-buy properties scattered throughout Broward County. There are 197 housing units that serve residents and families in 1, 2 or 3 bedroom homes. Residents are assisted with obtaining social security disability, are provided mental health services through partnerships with community behavioral health providers, and are assisted with an array of other services, including transportation and employment opportunities. Lisa has written for and BHS has been awarded numerous grants over the years, that provides rental subsidies to cover the difference in rent for the residents. Through these support services, residents are able to move forward on their road to recovery in a caring and professionally supportive environment while residing safely and permanently in furnished affordable housing units. Lisa's vision has been the driving force behind these accomplishments, and together with a small team of devoted staff members, Broward Housing Solutions has continued to save lives in this community, one person at a time, giving hope and providing a place to call home.

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Lisa Vecchi has been the President and CEO of Broward Housing Solutions for the past sixteen (16) years, a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization that is a cornerstone in Broward County, providing affordable housing to persons experiencing homelessness and diagnosed with a mental illness. A graduate of Leadership Broward, with an Executive Masters of Business Administration from Florida International University, Lisa has served on Statewide Advisory Councils, local boards, and coalitions. Her tireless devotion, advocacy and work in behavioral health has been recognized over the years, and she continues to be true leader in Broward County.

Submitted by: Margaret de Cambre Borges

Phone number: 305-342-2310 Email: M_decambre@bellsouth.net

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All nominations must be received by January 12, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Nominations and background materials submitted after Friday, December 29, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. will not be accepted. **Incomplete nominations will not be considered.** If you have any questions, contact Joshua Carden at 954-828-5044 or email JCarden@fortlauderdale.gov, or Melissa Mata at 954-828-6182 or email at MMata@fortlauderdale.gov.

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100 North Andrews Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

E-mail your submission to:

JCarden@fortlauderdale.gov
and MMata@fortlauderdale.gov



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Nominated Honoree information:

Name of nominated honoree: Dr. John Wensveen

Address: 2823 Oakleigh Ln

City, State, Zip Code: Fort Lauderdale, FL, 33328

Home Phone: _____ Office: 954-262-4560 Cell: 703-577-8988

Email: jwensveen@nova.edu

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Focus areas: fostering the spirit of community, bringing positive recognition to the City, locally, and nationally, encouraging people to visit Fort Lauderdale. John is created of "The World's First Theme Park for Entrepreneurs" designing and building the only innovation center in the world to support the Founder's Journey from birth of an idea through successful exit or global expansion. As a result of John's vision, Fort Lauderdale is the hub for innovation, technology, and entrepreneurship linking the South Florida regions with local, regional, national, and international impact. John's vision has resulted in creation of an innovative mindset in the community casting much attention on Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, and South Florida as "one" region. The world is watching Fort Lauderdale through the lens of the Levan Center of Innovation resulting in increased traffic to Broward County from across the US and the world. As a result of John's vision, Fort Lauderdale is now home to 85+ new startup companies, 400+ new jobs, 13 patents filed, 17 licensed technologies, one multi-million dollar exit, 30+ international delegations have visited, \$87M annual economic impact.

2. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

John's motto is, "The future is here now, what are we doing about it?" John is often referred to as an applied futurist focused on trends, challenges, and opportunities. Based on his vision, he leads efforts to successfully implement strategies resulting in community impact. His enthusiasm to make a difference, ultimately focused on economic prosperity for all, is infectious. Fort Lauderdale is the recipient of John's vision leading to breakthrough ideas, creation of new technologies, talent skills pipeline, company formation, job creation, and scaling of businesses. John's efforts have led to the creation of the annual South Florida Space Day, bringing the space economy to the region, creation of the annual South Florida Innovation Day, bringing the entire state-wide ecosystem together, and creation of the annual ORBIT Innovation Awards, honoring the lead innovators in Florida. John has worked hard to secure significant federal grant funding to bring emerging technologies to Fort Lauderdale including a number of firsts: SONY Volumetric Capture Studio, DELL AI Digital Cities Lab, military-grade cybersecurity range supporting industry and government, and more. Broward County Government has provided three proclamations for John's efforts. In the innovation, technology, and entrepreneurship ecosystems, John is commonly known as the "Chief Ambassador" for Fort Lauderdale and S. FL.

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Dr. John Wensveen is Chief Innovation Officer at Nova Southeastern University & Executive Director of the Alan B. Levan | NSU Broward Center of Innovation responsible for overseeing a multi-million dollar public-private partnership between NSU and Broward County to support the growing entrepreneurial ecosystem in Broward County and South Florida. John is the official advisor to the Mayor of Broward County on innovation, technology, and entrepreneurship and is an Official Member of the Forbes Technology Council. John is a TEDx speaker. John's career background includes executive leadership positions in the global aviation industry and higher education including public and private sectors. John has vast experience as a successful entrepreneur including co-founder of a publicly traded company. BA (University of Victoria). Mphil (Cardiff University). Ph.D. (Cardiff University).

Submitted by: Mili Peluso

Phone number: 954-536-6552 Email: mpeluso@nova.edu

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Honoree:
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State Florida
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Email Address: president@edgewoodcivic.org

2. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community, paying particular note to the Walk of Fame selection criteria. Provide any examples of civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other achievements. (Please do not include website links)

Wendy and a handful of others, including myself, took up the reins of ECA in July of 2015. Membership was waning, the clubhouse was in bad disrepair, and nothing much was happening with the organization. It wasn't long thereafter that the clubhouse was fixed up in many ways, membership vastly increased, and the newsletter greatly improved.

3. Why is the nominee deserving of this award? (Please do not include website links)

Wendy also accomplished the following :Established Edgewood's presence in Fort Lauderdale's Green Your

Routine program

Joined CERT and became a certified member, Arranged for the monthly attendance of FLPD to the ECA meetings

Arranged for the monthly attendance of FLL Code Enforcement to the ECA meetings, Organized the cleanup of the clubhouse and setup for meetings, Shopped for and provided refreshments for all the ECA meetings, Attended meetings for Green Your Routine, District 4 Presidents Meetings, various community fund raisers, Organized Edgewood's participation in City-wide events like "Fort Lauderdale Cares Day", "Fort Lauderdale Make a Difference Day", and several others. Worked with Bridge construction to insure the compatibility of their new building with our neighborhood, Maintained communications with the different parties doing the storm water construction work in Edgewood, Spearheaded the acquisition of 3 "Welcome to Edgewood Signs" for 15th Avenue, 9th Avenue, and 28th Street, Arranged for a clubhouse lease to the "Rotary Club" and "Action for Literacy Corp." for at least one year, thereby preventing a big problem with association revenue

Even when her house was devastated by the 4/12/23 flood, she continued to pursue donations and charitable home repair, while having to repair her own home and live elsewhere through the whole ordeal, And a LOT MORE!

4. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee. (Please do not include website links)

Wendy is a stay-at-home mom that is totally dedicated to the safety and improvement of her neighborhood and City of Fort Lauderdale.

5. This nomination was submitted by:

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