



CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Commissioner Thomas K. “Tom” Perona attended Indian River State College, earned his Bachelor of Arts in Business Management at the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota and he graduated from the General Motors Institute for Dealer Development in Flint, Michigan. Commissioner Perona has been a resident of St. Lucie County since 1972 and has a long history of dedicated service to various boards and committees since that time;

WHEREAS, Tom has been an owner, manager and partner in several businesses during his time in St. Lucie County. Tom is married to his lovely wife Kathy, has four grown children, 4 beloved grandchildren with one on the way; he loves marathon training and competing, swimming, cycling and kayaking in his spare time; and

WHEREAS, Tom was elected as a City Commissioner District 2 for the City of Fort Pierce in 2010. Prior to his election, he served eight years on the Fort Pierce Utilities Authority. His service has also included the following Boards: St. Lucie County Fire District, Fort Pierce Parking Committee, Lincoln Park Main Street, Sunrise Theatre Advisory Board, Fort Pierce Retirement Board, Treasure Coast Education, Research, and Development Authority, Florida Municipal Power Association, Roundtable of SLC, and Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council. In addition to government boards, he has also served on the Dale Cassens School Advisory Board, Kid’s Crossing Park Board Member and Foreman in both 1993 and 2013, the St. Lucie County Chamber of Commerce, Fort Pierce Civil Service Appeals Board, Parks Committee; Fort Pierce Landlord Association and the American Cancer Society of St. Lucie County; and

WHEREAS, Most recently, Tom served as the project director for the Community Build All Needs All Access Playground at Jaycee Park as a member of the Fort Pierce Sunrise Kiwanis Club; raising funds, coordinating volunteers and being onsite throughout this monumental project; and

WHEREAS, during his service as a City Commissioner, Tom is most proud of the city’s growth and economic prosperity which he links to the vision, implementation and accountability to the City’s Strategic Plan; transforming the City’ image regarding transparency, crime and safety and the accessibility to elected officials; his advocacy for animals and the city’s TNVR and Spay and Neuter programs; and the overall commitment of the city to work cohesively and respectfully with each other and our surrounding community partners; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Perona chose to retire from elected office in 2022 after 12 years of faithful, dedicated service to the City of Fort Pierce.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Linda Hudson, Mayor of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, do hereby issue this proclamation in honor of:

Commissioner Thomas K. “Tom” Perona

in appreciation and recognition of his many years of honorable and dedicated service to the City of Fort Pierce.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to be affixed this 21st day of November, 2022.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER

