

Resolution

WHEREAS, the residents of Brevard County lost a valued community leader on the 22nd of January, 2021, with the death of Commissioner Ron Pritchard; and,

WHEREAS, born on the 31st of July, 1944 in New York, New York, he became a resident of Brevard County in 1994; and,

WHEREAS, while Ron Pritchard was Brevard County District 2 Commissioner from 2002-2006, he served as Vice Chairman in 2003-2004 and Chairman of the County Commission from 2004-2005; and,

WHEREAS, Ron Prichard was an instrumental force for saving both Patrick Air Force Base and Canaveral Air Force Station from Base Realignment and Closure, adopting a new Sexual Offender Ordinance, the addition of a boat ramp on North Banana River Drive, creating the Lori Wilson Dog Park, passing an ordinance to address the illegal sale and use of fireworks, and placing the 1,000 Islands in Cocoa Beach under conservation protection; and,

WHEREAS, a recipient of the Cocoa Beach Chamber of Commerce “Hometown Hero Award” for 2001 and 2002, he was a supporter of community and government organizations, serving on the Tourist Development Council, Economic Development Council, Brevard Water Supply Board, Public Safety Coordinating Council, Value Adjustment Board, East Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Metropolitan Planning Council, Brevard County Internal Audit Committee, Cocoa Beach Area Chamber of Commerce Government Relations Committee, Brevard County Citizen Budget Review Committee, Brevard County District II Dredging Committee, Citizens for Florida’s Waterways, Leadership Brevard, Marine Industry Association of Brevard, Republican Executive Committee, Merritt Island Executive Council, Keep Brevard Beautiful, Vietnam Veterans of Brevard, and was a charter member of the North Merritt Island United Methodist Church.

WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife, Donna; children, Rob (Tisa) Pritchard, Cristen Pritchard, Wendy (Jamie) Richardson, and Kristina Booker; and six grandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, join in honoring the life and memory of

Commissioner Ron Pritchard

and express our sympathy and condolences to the members of his family.

DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED, in regular session this 9th day of March, 2021.