



PROCLAMATION

HONORING CITY MANAGER DR. ROBERT A. LEVY FOR HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SUCCESSESES OF THE TOWN OF PEMBROKE PARK

WHEREAS, Dr. Robert Levy was born in Boston, Massachusetts and grew up in the suburb of Brookline. He graduated from Boston University with a degree in Public Communication and a minor in Government; and

WHEREAS, He worked three jobs to pay his way through school, he was elected by the University to become President of the Student-Faculty Assembly, the governing body of the institution, and selected as Man of The Year for the school of Public Communication when he graduated in 1963; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Levy was stationed at Ernest Harmon Air Force Base in Stephenville, Newfoundland with the United States Air Force Exchange Service; and

WHEREAS, After completing his stay at Harmon, AFB, Dr. Levy attended Florida State University for his Masters degree in Counseling Psychology and Government; and

WHEREAS, Florida State asked Dr. Levy to become a full time Instructor in State and Local Government, and Instructor in Residence at one of the major dormitories on campus (Kellam Hall); and

WHEREAS, Dr. Levy continued his education doing medical rotations at Green College, Oxford University and The Royal Medical College of St. Bartholomew's Hospital in England; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Levy practiced Medicine in Third World countries and lived with Rastafarians in Dominica where he worked with Prime Minister Eugenia Charles to establish Caricom, a united amalgamation of Caribbean nations; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Levy was accepted to the John F. Kennedy school of Government at Harvard University where he received a Masters degree in Public Administration with a strength in Health Policy in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Levy began his work shortly thereafter for the Town of Pembroke Park, and served the residents, and the Commission of the Town of Pembroke Park for twenty-nine years; and

WHEREAS, His commitment to the Town started on March 6, 1989 as the deputy Town Clerk/Administrator; and

WHEREAS, Due to Dr. Levy's prior work for two Governors in Tallahassee, he was instrumental in ensuring the continuation of the Town of Pembroke Park as a municipality when the Broward County Commission and members of the legislative delegation attempted to merge the Town into neighboring West Park; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Levy committed countless hours assisting with the economic development and the growth of the Community and recruited over 600 industries to invest in the Town, such as the continued expansion and development of the Coca Cola manufacturing and distribution plant, Seneca Industrial Enclave, Royal Caribbean Cruise Line and Channel 10 (WPLG) to name a few; and

WHEREAS, His acumen as a Public Administrator was recognized by Nova Southeastern University and Florida International University when they invited him to become an Adjunct Professor and teach graduate students in Public Administration. He enjoyed his years of service, mentoring, sharing his knowledge and encouraging Pembroke Park staff to continue their education; and

WHEREAS, He lead the Town to receive numerous grants allowing the Town to have a wealthy financial reserve of eight million dollars at the end of his career in 2018; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Levy was honored by his peers when they elected him President of the Broward City and County Managers' Association for two terms; and

WHEREAS, The International City Managers' Association selected him to be one of the first Managers in the Country to be designated as a "Credentialed" City Manager signifying his professionalism and dedication to his craft; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Levy's accomplishments and dedication is the Legacy he leaves for the Town of Pembroke Park, and we wish him the best in his future endeavors

NOW THEREFORE WE, Mayor Ashira Mohammed, Vice Mayor Erik Morrissette, Clerk Commissioner William R. Hodgkins, Acting Clerk Commissioner Musfka Kashem and Commissioner Geoffrey Jacobs by virtue of the authority vested by the Town of Pembroke Park, do hereby extend our gratitude to Dr. Robert A. Levy for his 29 years of dedicated service to the Town of Pembroke Park.

Dated this 13th day of September 2023.



Ashira Mohammed, Mayor



Erik Morrissette, Vice Mayor



William R. Hodgkins, Clerk Commissioner



Musfka Kashem, Acting Clerk Commissioner



Geoffrey Jacobs, Commissioner