

RESOLUTION 2003 - 113

A RESOLUTION HONORING MARILYN EVANS-JONES AS THE RECIPIENT OF THE BERGLUND-RYLANT AWARD, AND FOR HER OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO NASSAU COUNTY.

WHEREAS, Marilyn Evans-Jones is the recipient of the Berglund-Rylant Award; and

WHEREAS, most people see things as they are and wonder why; Marilyn sees things that should be and accomplishes them; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn's list of accomplishments all have one thing in common - benefit to her fellow citizens - from Micah's Place, a domestic abuse shelter, to the Amelia Island Chapel; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn is unique in the fact that, in seeing things that should be and accomplishing them, she does it not for self aggrandizement, but totally for her local and statewide community and the citizens who benefit; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn's long list of personal accomplishments include serving as a member of the Florida Legislature from Brevard County from 1976 to 1986, and, true to Marilyn's concern for others, she was the prime sponsor of the following legislation: Child Safety Restraints, Safe Drinking Water Act, Hospice, Mental Health legislation, Community Care for the Elderly, and the Clean Indoor Air Act; and

WHEREAS, based upon her outstanding legislative service, she was a candidate for Lt. Governor in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn's other honors include Outstanding National Legislator of the Year in 1984, the Florida Teachers' Association's Tiger Award in 1986, Who's Who in American Women; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn created a viable Republican party in Nassau County and transformed not only the local party, but also, as a Republican State Committeewoman, the State's Republican party; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn's other honors and accomplishments are too numerous to list; and

WHEREAS, Marilyn is loved by many, not only for her accomplishments, but also for her integrity, faith, tenacity, true conservative beliefs and ideals, love of her fellow man, her warmth and willingness to serve, her compassion, character, and, most of all, for just being Marilyn, friend to all of us; and

WHEREAS, one test of the success of a man's or woman's life is the respect of his or her fellow citizens, and Marilyn, you are a huge success and all of us are indeed fortunate and blessed that you have enriched our lives and our community.

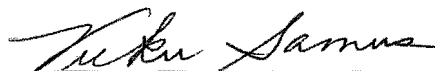
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 25th day of August, 2003, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, that:

1. On behalf of the citizens of Nassau County, Marilyn Evans-Jones is hereby commended for her unselfish, outstanding contributions to all of the citizens of Nassau County.

2. Marilyn Evans-Jones is recognized, not only as the recipient of the Berglund-Rylant Award, but also for her outstanding citizen service, both public and private.

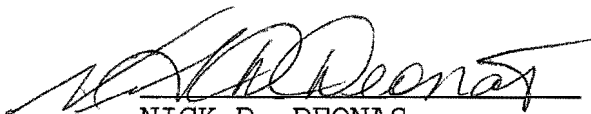
3. We all stand and applaud a truly great lady, whose conservative principles, wisdom, faith, and compassion have enhanced our community and made us all better citizens.

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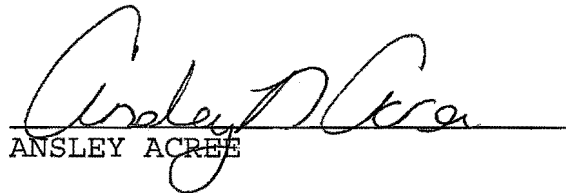


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Its: Chairman



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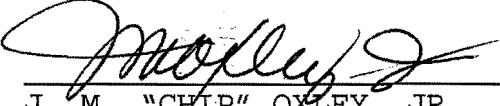


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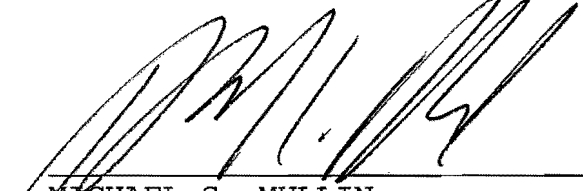

FLOYD L. VANZANT


MARIANNE MARSHALL

ATTEST:


J. M. "CHIP" OXLEY, JR.
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the
Nassau County Attorney


MICHAEL S. MULLIN

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