

RESOLUTION 2023 - 001

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RECOGNIZING THE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENTS OF THOMAS A. BLUE AND HIS SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, Nassau County resident Thomas A. Blue, Jr. was born on April 13, 1934 in Linden, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. attended high school at Mills School located in Webster, Florida, where he excelled and earned the honor of serving as Salutatorian of his graduating class; and

WHEREAS, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. attended Florida Memorial College in St. Augustine, Florida, on an athletic scholarship. He was a star on the basketball court for all four years and ran track for one year; and

WHEREAS, during his time at Florida Memorial College, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. served as Senior Class President, President of the Student Council, President of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, and Vice President of the Panhellenic Council; and

WHEREAS, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. earned many awards in college including the President's Award and "Man of the year" Alpha Phi Alpha; and

WHEREAS, upon graduating from Florida Memorial College, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. moved to Nassau County where he taught school for one year before being called to serve in the United States Army for two years; and

WHEREAS, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. returned from his military service to Nassau County where he continued to work in the Nassau County School System, and where he eventually earned the title of Assistant Principal; and

WHEREAS, while working in the school system, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. met and married fellow teacher, the late Christine Williams Blue. During this time, he also continued his studies, graduating from Florida A&M with a Master’s Degree in Administration and was inducted into the Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. served 38 years in the Nassau County School System before retiring in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. is a true public servant who served his community through various boards and committees including the State Board of Housing Authority, State Board Council on Elementary Education, the State Board for Evaluating Schools throughout Florida, Executive Board of Barnabas Center, Inc., and Micah’s Place; and

WHEREAS, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. also serves his community as a member of the Greater Mount Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church in Callahan where he is Chairman of the Deacon’s Ministry, a Sunday School Teacher, Adult Choir member, and former Trustee; and

WHEREAS, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. has received many accolades and awards including an NAACP Service Award, a Mayor’s Proclamation, and was the first nominee to the Nassau County Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Thomas A. Blue, Jr. has touched the lives of many of Nassau County’s residents and is a pillar in our community.

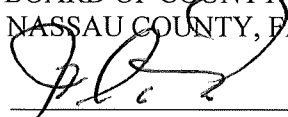
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, publicly commends

THOMAS A. BLUE, JR.

for his lifetime achievements and his service to his community.

DULY ADOPTED THIS 9th DAY OF JANUARY, 2023.

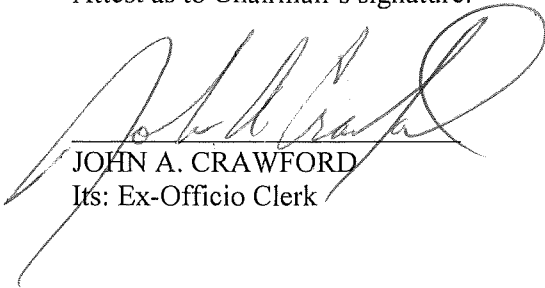
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NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA



KLYNT A. FARMER

Its: Chairman

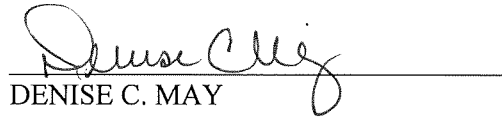
Attest as to Chairman's signature:



JOHN A. CRAWFORD

Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the
Nassau County Attorney:



DENISE C. MAY