## PROCLAMATION

## OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA

## DECLARING OCTOBER 14, 2018 – OCTOBER 20, 2018 AS MEDIATION WEEK

**WHEREAS,** The Palm Beach County Bar Association's Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee seeks to promote to lawyers, the judiciary and the public, the use and value of alternative dispute resolution processes. These processes help parties resolve disputes without a trial in a less costly and more timely and satisfying manner; and

**WHEREAS,** in 2011, the American Bar Association declared the third week of October as Mediation Week to recognize the utilization of mediation as one of several appropriate dispute resolution processes; and

**WHEREAS**, mediators and other dispute resolution practitioners, through their concentrated expertise in helping parties find lasting solutions to complex problems, have continually demonstrated the value of the field of alternative dispute resolution; and

**WHEREAS,** mediation practices and skills are being applied in the workplace by leaders, managers and supervisors who have embraced the power and efficiency of open communication and collaborative problem solving; and

**WHEREAS**, mediation, along with the principles and practices it embodies, can be a crucial tool for peacemaking between individuals, groups, units, neighborhoods, as well as governments and our region continues to be a leader in those efforts; and

**WHEREAS,** professional associations of conflict resolvers are promoting the peaceful and creative resolution of disputes; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Riviera Beach recognizes the importance of the availability of alternative dispute resolution services to the citizens of our community, and is pleased to extend its appreciation to the members of the Palm Beach County Bar Association and especially to the members of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee for its efforts to promote alternative conflict resolutions throughout Palm Beach County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL, RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA, assembled in regular session this <u>3rd</u> day of October 2018, that the week of October 14, 2018 through October 20, 2018 in the City of Riviera Beach, is hereby proclaimed:

## **Mediation Week**

**BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA,** that this proclamation is duly sealed, ribboned and executed by the members of this Council. The foregoing proclamation was sponsored by Chairwoman Tonya Davis Johnson, and upon unanimous consent of the Council, the Mayor declared the proclamation duly enacted.

	Thomas A. Masters, Mayor	
Tonya Davis Johnson, Chair		Lynne L. Hubbard, Chair Pro Tem
KaShamba Miller-Anderson	Julia A. Botel	Terence D. Davis
Councilperson	Councilperson	Councilperson