

**FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FL**

**In Memoriam of Mr. Andrew DeGraffenreidt, III, Esquire
Employee No. 6478**

WHEREAS, the history of the City of Riviera Beach shows at the helm three Alpha Phi Alpha men, Mr. Tony Smith, the late Mr. Gerald Adams, and Mr. Andrew DeGraffenreidt, III, who were given the affectionate nicknames, Alf, Papa Smurf, and Broke Down, (it's alright to laugh, love and respect were behind those names and they knew it); and

WHEREAS, Attorney Andrew DeGraffenreidt served for a total of almost fifteen (15) years as the City Attorney for the City of Riviera Beach; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeGraffenreidt was known for being unapologetically bold and at times a little cocky, which he admitted, while maintaining self-respect and respect for others; and

WHEREAS, his thirst for world knowledge, instilled by his parents, and personality, is only part of the reason why his biography is as extensive as it is; the main reason was because he accepted Jesus the Christ as his personal Savior; and

WHEREAS, Colossians 3:23-24 resonated with Mr. DeGraffenreidt and helped him to understand that being a servant came at a cost, but the reward which awaits him is far greater; and

WHEREAS, on February 2, 2021, Attorney Andrew DeGraffenreidt, III, heard his Master and Creator say "My son, your work is done. Come on home": and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Ronnie L. Felder, Mayor of the City of Riviera Beach, on behalf of the City's elected officials, administration, staff, and citizens do hereby reiterate the words Mr. DeGraffenreidt would say:

"May The Work I've Done Speak For Me"

MAY IT BE FINALLY RESOLVED, Employee No. 6478, Attorney Andrew DeGraffenreidt, III, is hereby put to rest; and the original of this Memoriam is hereby placed in the hands of the family.

I have called for the City seal to be embossed this 12TH day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two thousand and Twenty-One.

Ronnie L. Felder, Mayor

Claudene L. Anthony, City Clerk