

# KEY TO THE CITY

## FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

**WHEREAS**, Steve White is a current resident and proud native of Riviera Beach, having been raised on 1<sup>st</sup> Street in the City and dedicated his adult life to serving as a mentor to African-American males for more than 30 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Steve has worked with numerous public and private schools and higher learning institutions throughout the state conducting workshops for teachers, administrators and parents. Having worked with multiple cultural and service organizations, including the coordinating committee for the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebrations, Children's Services Council and numerous churches and police departments throughout Palm Beach County, including our very own R.B.P.D. Steve is also actively working in the city and beyond to introduce more youth to the educational and career opportunities available within the maritime industry; and

**WHEREAS**, Steve White has been honored by many organizations for his community service including Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, The Links Organization, the Riviera Beach Youth Recreation Association and many others. We are not the only ones to recognize the valuable contributions of our native son. In 2014, Steve was recognized as the national Mentor Of The Year, receiving the Chairman's Award for Mentoring Leadership from the National 100 Black Men of America; and

**WHEREAS**, having written three books on the subject of mentoring, namely '*Helping Black Children Reach Their Full Potential*' and '*From Black Boy to Black Man: What Does It Take?*', Steve is lauded as a notable author and an award winning publisher of nearly 100 books for other local and national authors; and

**WHEREAS**, Steve continues to mentor young men in Riviera Beach and all across South Florida, having expanded his mentoring program into the adult and juvenile prison system, working with incarcerated males preparing them for successful re-entry into society.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Thomas A. Masters, Mayor of the City of Riviera Beach, Florida, by the power vested in me by the residents of Riviera Beach, do hereby present this Key to the City of Riviera Beach, Florida, the Best Waterfront City in Which to Live, Work and Play to Steve White, in honor of the great work he is doing to mentor and assist the young men in our City and throughout Palm Beach County to live successful and productive lives, teaching them the importance of giving back to the communities in which we live and love.

**IN WITNESS THEREFORE**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Riviera Beach to be affixed on this 16<sup>th</sup> Day of December, Two Thousand Fifteen, A. D.

ATTEST:

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Thomas A. Masters, Mayor

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Claudene L. Anthony, CMC, City Clerk