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ADDITIONAL MATERIAL Regular Meeting May 4, 2021

SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF

MAYOR STEVE GELLER



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April 28, 2021

The Honorable Steve Geller Broward County Commission Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Dear Mayor Geller:

The Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce, the largest and oldest business organization in Broward County, supports the selection of Monica Cepero as the next County Administrator.

Ms. Cepero understands the complexities of our county government and is clearly capable of leading our talented county administration out of the pandemic to recovery and beyond. Her 28 years of proven experience gives us continuity and vision. Whether it is Port Everglades, FLL, tourism or other economic and social issues, we know she will be up to the task.

We are not convinced a national search would produce better results and feel Ms. Cepero is worthy of this appointment. Our working experience with Ms. Cepero has been positive and productive.

For these reasons and many more, we encourage you and the Broward County Commission to focus on our recovery and fully reopening of our economy with a smooth transition to Ms. Cepero as Administrator to succeed Ms. Bertha Henry.

Sincerely,

Stephen K. Tillook

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Daniel Lindblade, CAE President & CEO Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce