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February 22, 2021

Honorable Dale Holness, Commissioner Broward County Governmental Center 115 S. Andrews Ave., Room 417 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Re: Renaming of NW 6th Court, in honor of Congressman Halcee L. Hastings

Commissioner,

I take note of your recent efforts to have the Broward County Commission, act to rename NW 6th Court in Honor of Congressman Halcee L. Hastings. For over 28 years, Congressman Hastings has served the people of Broward County with distinction, helping to ensure that the needs of this community remains at the forefront of considerations in Washington D.C. He has been a champion of civil rights and equal access to all, but especially for minorities, women, the elderly and the disabled and has been at the forefront of many of the most far-reaching Federal legislations of our time.

Prior to this, he distinguished himself as a lawyer, civil rights activist and the first African American to be appointed and to serve as a Federal Judge in the State of Florida in 1979. In the twilight of a long and storied career, I can think of no other that is more deserving of the honor of being memorialized in this manner, so that generations of Floridians to come may recall through this highlight, his exemplary service to this community.

I hope and trust that your colleagues on the Broward County Commission feels the same and will move to bring this into effect.

Kind Regards,

Mark A. Douglas Mark A. Douglas

Commissioner, City of Sunrise

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I am in support of the naming for Congressman Alcee Hastings.

Warmly,
Gerie Freeman Russell

February 22, 2021

To the Broward County Board of County Commissioners:

It is with great pleasure that I submit this letter in support of renaming Northwest 6th Court in the Broward Municipal Services District (BMSD), in honor of Congressman Alcee L. Hastings for his service to the community. Congressman Hastings has been an outspoken advocate for Floridians throughout his career as an attorney, civil rights activist, judge and now Member of Congress.

President Jimmy Carter appointed Alcee Hastings as the first African American Federal Judge in the State of Florida 1979. Judge Hastings also became the first African American Congressman from Florida since the post-Civil War period. In his role as Congressman, Hastings has been an outspoken advocate for Floridians and our nation.

Tackling areas such as education, healthcare and criminal justice reform, Congressman Hastings has demonstrated a continued commitment to the success of Florida's 20th Congressional District, which should be commemorated in Broward County.

Congressman Hastings has contributed significantly to the history of Florida and his record of excellence can serve as inspiration for all and particularly to those in the African American Community. For these reasons and too many to name here, I support the renaming of Northwest 6th Court in honor of Congressman Alcee Hastings.

Sincerely,

Commissioner Mike Gelin