ADDITIONAL MATERIAL REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 18, 2024

SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF

MAYOR NAN H. RICH

Date: June 12, 2024

To: Mayor Nan Rich and the Broward County Board of County Commissioners

From: Mara Berman Giulianti

Re: Naming the Stirling Road Library in Hollywood, Florida in honor of

Marta-Beth Friedman

I am currently out of town, but I am writing to whole-heartedly support the naming of the Broward County Stirling Road Branch Library in memory of Marta-Beth Friedman. As a 20-year Mayor of Hollywood, I can personally attest to Marta's dedication to bring a library to that under-served area and to the incredible tenacity that she exhibited to ensure that all obstacles were taken into account and then eliminated, one by one, until that dream became a reality.

Marta wanted to ensure that the library would serve the needs of the community in terms of access, inventory, programming, and community use. Not only would adding her name to this wonderful facility be a fitting tribute to her and her decades-long activism on behalf of libraries, but it is also my understanding that her family will give an endowment for programming. Marta would have been very proud of that—and the fact that her young grandson could visit her special place for learning and discovery for many years to come!