

## RESOLUTION NO. 2024-02

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LAKE CLARKE SHORES, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING ITS DEEPEST GRATITUDE TO VALENTIN (VAL) RODRIGUEZ, JR. FOR SEVENTEEN YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AS A MEMBER OF THE LAKE CLARKE SHORES TOWN COUNCIL**

**WHEREAS**, Valentin Rodriguez and his family have been residents of the Town of Lake Clarke Shores since December 1997, and;

**WHEREAS**, Val was appointed by the Town Council as an alternate member on the Code Enforcement Board in May 1999. He was selected as Vice Chairman of the Code Enforcement Board in September 2001, where he remained in that position until 2006 when he resigned from the Board to run for Town Council; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2006, Val qualified for Town Council Group 5 along with two other candidates. Val won the election and served the residents of the Town for the past 17 years. During his tenure on the Town Council, Val has served as Mayor 4 times, as Vice Mayor 5 times and as President Pro Tem 4 times; and

**WHEREAS**, Val was a member of the Palm Beach County League of Cities, where he was a designee to the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission as an At Large Member representing all of Palm Beach County. He also took part in numerous trips to Tallahassee to meet with Legislators to discuss issues that affect the residents of the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, during his time on the Town Council, Val volunteered for numerous Town events including the Town's annual BBQ where he oversaw the activities in the Children's Play area and the waterway clean up events where he and his family would take his boat on the lake and collect debris from the waterway. He also participated in numerous "Holidays in Paradise" Parades where he would drive his golf cart carrying various dignitaries along the parade route while passing out candy to the people watching the parade go by; and

**WHEREAS**, Val was the force behind the creation of the Children's Movie Night events giving families a fun and safe place to watch movies while enjoying pizza and popcorn. And due to his love of tennis, he started the annual Triples Tennis Tournament event. He also was instrumental in starting the LCS Citizens on Patrol, in creating the Lake Clarke Shores Community Redevelopment Agency and initiated the current Town Golf Cart Codes allowing the use of golf carts within the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, due to his extensive background in civil litigation and criminal law, Val provided training and updates in case law to the Lake Clarke Shores Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Val has always exhibited sincere concern for the quality of life of all the citizens of the Town of Lake Clarke Shores and fulfilled his responsibilities as a Council Member with diligence, loyalty, honesty and courtesy.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LAKE CLARKE SHORES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The Town Council expresses its deepest gratitude to Valentin Rodriguez, Jr. for his dedicated and selfless service to the Town, acknowledging his resignation with regret.

**SECTION 2.** That a copy of this Resolution be sent to him as a testament to his valued contributions.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council of the Town of Lake Clarke Shores, Florida this 16th day of January, 2024.

	FOR	AGAINST
BY: _____ Gregory Freebold, Mayor	_____	_____
_____ Vacant, Vice Mayor	_____	_____
_____ Vacant, President Pro Tem	_____	_____
_____ Jon Maples, Council Member	_____	_____
_____ Taylor Materio, Council Member	_____	_____

ATTEST:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mary Pinkerman, CMC  
Town Clerk