



Agenda Report

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson
Way
Viera, FL 32940

Resolution/Award/Presentation

E.1.

3/11/2025

Subject:

Resolution recognizing the retirement of Matt Culver, Boating & Waterways Program Coordinator for the Natural Resources Management Department, and his 21 years of service to the citizens of Brevard and the State of Florida. - District 2

Fiscal Impact:

None

Dept/Office:

District 2 Commissioner

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board pass a resolution to recognize the retirement of Matt Culver.

Summary Explanation and Background:

Matt Culver, Boating & Waterways Program Coordinator for the Natural Resources Management Department, announced his retirement effective March 11, 2025. He has provided exceptional service, leadership, and professional achievements for over 21 years to Brevard County and the State of Florida.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

Please provide one framed copy of the resolution for presentation at the meeting.



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March 12, 2025

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Commissioner Tom Goodson, District 2

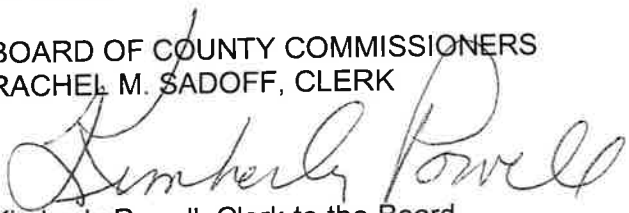
RE: Item E.1., Resolution Recognizing the Retirement of Matt Culver

The Board of County Commissioners, in regular session on March 11, 2025, adopted Resolution 25-017, recognizing the retirement of Matt Culver. Enclosed is a copy of the Resolution.

Your continued cooperation is always appreciated.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK


Kimberly Powell, Clerk to the Board

/sj

Encl. (1)

Brevard



County

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Resolution

WHEREAS, MATT CHRISTOPHER CULVER, born in California on this day in 1969, has been a resident of Brevard County for 24 years; and

WHEREAS, MATT earned Bachelor of Science degrees in Ecology, Evolution and Conservation Biology, and Biological Oceanography from the University of Washington in 1997; after graduation **MATT** spent three years with the Peace Corps in Panama and the Crisis Corps in the Dominican Republic, where he met his wife Ingrid, while facilitating rural farming projects and coordinating with relief agencies before returning to the States to pursue graduate studies; and

WHEREAS, MATT earned his Master of Science in Coastal Zone Management from the Florida Institute of Technology in 2003 after having developed his Master's Research Project on Integrated Watershed Management in Honduras; and

WHEREAS, MATT started his public service career in 2003 as an Environmental Specialist with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection in Marathon, and moved to the City of Titusville as a Development Supervisor in 2004, before joining Brevard County as an Environmental Specialist in 2006; and

WHEREAS, MATT through diligent effort and dedication advanced to his present position as Boating and Waterways Program Coordinator in 2007 where he has served as staff liaison to two Board-appointed groups, the Marine Advisory Council and the District 2 Canal Dredging Committee; during his tenure, has overseen the removal of 327 derelict vessels from the Indian River Lagoon, thereby permanently eliminating potential contamination and navigational hazards; and

WHEREAS, MATT'S contributions have included countless weekend special events, Manatee Protection Plan and Comprehensive Maritime Management Master Plan development, coordination with agencies and marinas, emergency response to vessels adrift during and after storms, and general interagency marine law enforcement coordination; and

WHEREAS, MATT was instrumental in securing approximately \$2.5 million in Stan Mayfield Working Waterfront Program and other grant funding, to acquire and improve the Griffis Landing at Blue Crab Cove site that represents the last remnant of riverfront commercial fishery and crab operations on the Indian River Lagoon in Brevard County; this 2.74-acre historic working waterfront site is integral to the community's maritime history and today provides dockage facilities, channelized access, gasoline, boat ramps, pump-out stations, and supports recreational commercial fishing; and

WHEREAS, for ten years, MATT has coordinated with and secured grant funding from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and donations from The Florida Sports Fishing Association, Central Florida Offshore Anglers, and the Coastal Conservation Association to construct fish habitat at a 3,085-acre permitted artificial reef site located 15.5 nautical miles east of Port Canaveral for key recreational and commercial fish species along Florida's Central Atlantic coast; and

WHEREAS, MATT has received many letters of appreciation from communities and clubs and Excellence in Action awards for his outstanding commitment to service and professionalism; **MATT** looks forward to fishing, traveling, and volunteering to benefit the Lagoon and enjoying more time with his wife of 23 years, Ingrid, and his son Ebin; and **MATT** has been a wonderful mentor, co-worker, and friend and will be greatly missed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, does hereby recognize, honor and thank

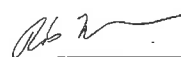
MATT CHRISTOPHER CULVER

for his loyalty and more than 21 years of outstanding and meritorious service to the Citizens of Brevard County and the State of Florida and express their wishes for a peaceful and enjoyable retirement.

DONE, ORDERED, AND ADOPTED, in regular session this 11th day of March 2025.

ATTEST:


RACHEL M. SADOFF, CLERK


ROB FELTNER, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA



**RESOLUTION HONORING MATT CHRISTOPHER CULVER
FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO BREVARD COUNTY
DURING HIS YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE**

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DONE, ORDERED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of March, 2025.

Attest:

Rachel M. Sadoff, Clerk

ROB FELTNER, CHAIRMAN
BOARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Board Meeting Date

March 16, 2025

Item Number: E. 1.

Motion By: TG

Second By: KD

Nay By: _____

Commissioner	DISTRICT	AYE	NAY
Commissioner Delaney	1	✓	
Vice Chair Goodson	2	✓	
Commissioner Adkinson	3	✓	
Commissioner Altman	5	✓	
Chairman Feltner	4	✓	