

The Town of Highland Beach, Florida

Proclamation

**RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING
TOWN MANAGER MARSHALL LABADIE**

- WHEREAS,** The members of the Town of Highland Beach gather today to commemorate the significant milestone of the implementation of the Town’s First Fire Rescue Department and
- WHEREAS,** In 2021, the Town Commission authorized a comprehensive study of Fire Rescue services for the Town and determine the feasibility of creating its own Fire Rescue Department; and
- WHEREAS,** A referendum was passed with the Town residents voting overwhelmingly to start their own Fire Rescue Department; and
- WHEREAS,** The Town Manager Marshall Labadie was charged with the responsibility of all aspects of creating a Fire Rescue Department for the Town, which involved the decision making for; research and development of costs, securing funds, identifying Fire Rescue service requirements and expectations, seeking out and obtaining county and state certifications and requirements, selecting a Fire Chief and Command Staff personnel, navigating Mutual Aid obligations, and building a Firehouse; and
- WHEREAS,** In April of 2024, the new Highland Beach Fire House was built and finished on schedule and under budget; and
- WHEREAS,** On May 1, 2024, the Highland Beach Fire Rescue started providing fire rescue services to the Town residents; and
- WHEREAS,** The Town of Highland Beach Florida recognizes the exceptional work of the Town Manager Marshall Labadie, whose leadership, perseverance, oversight, and management were responsible for the successful creation of our own Highland Beach Fire Rescue Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, I NATASHA MOORE, MAYOR of the Town of Highland Beach, Florida, on behalf of Town Commission, do hereby recognizes:

Marshall Labadie

for his tenacity and unwavering commitment to the Town Highland Beach community.

IN WITNESS WHEREFORE, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the Town of Highland Beach, Florida to be affixed this 21st day of May 2024.

**NATASHA MOORE
MAYOR**

