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City Council

City of Lake City 205 North Marion Avenue Lake City, FL 32055-3918

Dear Lake City Council,

With this letter, I am formally indicating my interest in being appointed to fill the remainder of the City Council District 14 seat.

After graduating from Columbia High School in 1984, I have lived in multiple cities throughout Florida including time in the state of Mississippi.

Working for First Union Bank in Finance and Accounting which was the sixth largest bank in the United States at that time was my livelihood from 1990 thru 1998.

I moved back to Lake City, FL in 1998 to pursue my goal of being an entrepreneur. I have owned and operated Mini-Storage & Record Storage of Lake City, Inc. since 1998.

The business started with 12,000 square feet of self-storage space and has grown to 275,000 square feet of self-storage space with six facilities and three offices throughout Lake City and Columbia County.

Having established a successful business with this community has afforded me the luxury of also giving back to this community.

I have been fortunate enough to serve on the following board(s):

Lake City / Columbia County Chamber of Commerce 2004 – 2009 Member Appointed

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Lake Shore Hospital Authority Board 2010 – 2014 Florida Governor Appointed

Columbia County Economic Development Advisory Board 2010 – Current Columbia County Commissioners Appointed

Columbia County Charter Review Commission 2019 – 2020 Columbia County Commissioners Appointed

Operating a business in today's environment requires dedication, vision, budget acuteness and the ability to get plans and tasks accomplished.

I have taken these twenty plus years of skills from operating in the private sector and used them on the aforementioned boards that I have served on. Having served on these boards have also enhanced and broadened my knowledge base and people skills.

I am a big believer in Pay It Forward and Giving Back to the Community that has been very good to me and my business.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to working with each and everyone of you in the future.

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