

**WHEREAS**, Jo Siciliano and Jessie Siciliano have demonstrated exceptional leadership and a profound commitment to the Town of Loxahatchee Groves through their organization of the Neighbors Helping Neighbors initiative and their dedicated involvement with the Citizens Emergency Response Team (CERT); and

**WHEREAS**, following the devastating impact of Hurricane Milton and the accompanying tornado activity, Jo and Jessie led extensive cleanup efforts across our town, tirelessly working to clear debris, remove hazardous vegetation, and restore essential services in affected areas; and

**WHEREAS,** their efforts extended beyond physical labor, as Jo and Jessie mobilized volunteers, coordinated with local businesses, partnered with nearby churches, and engaged other organizations to foster a united response to the community's needs, underscoring the strength and resilience of Loxahatchee Groves; and

**WHEREAS,** Jo and Jessie's compassion and diligence in providing resources, emotional support, and relief to our residents during a time of widespread disruption exemplifies the true meaning of neighborly care and community responsibility; and

**WHEREAS**, through the Neighbors Helping Neighbors initiative, they inspired numerous community members to volunteer and contribute to the cleanup efforts, reminding us all of the power of collaboration and selfless service; and

**WHEREAS**, Jo and Jessie's efforts have left an enduring impact on our town, both in the immediate relief provided and in the lasting sense of unity and resilience they have helped cultivate within Loxahatchee Groves; and

**WHEREAS**, dedicated, energetic, and industrious volunteers gathered to help those in most need and gave their all, including Karen Plante, Amy Hanson, Peter LoMuto, Geoff Sluggett, Deirdre Krause, Susan Lynn, Carol Bailey, Eric Green, OLou Favata, Dana Favata, Carol Tiroff, Ariel Pedrosa, Gabe Bove, Mary Beam, Bill Armfield, Cheryl Reed, Brad Reed, Brendan Cornea, John Cornea, Jesse Johansen, Bob Carr, Kim Kiely, Anita Kane, Aly Daly, Steve Herber, Fieduetch Fiere, Christian Brominski, Jenna Thomas, Jameson Tattersfield, Heather Cuhiles, Phillis Maniglia, Nancy Handwez, Josephine Grace, Zach VanGilder, Dianna Babington, Marielle Babington, Marge Herzog, Joanne Byron, Monique Vanderkamp, Scott Sibley, Mary McNicholasas, Chandelle Spargo, Mark Spargo, well as many others; and

**WHEREAS**, the following businesses have provided incredible support to the Town recovery include O'Neal Roofing—both Father and Son Neil O'Neal Sr and Neil O'Neal Jr, Ed's Wells, Moye Wells, Eric the Irrigation Guy, Everglades Farm Equipment –Chad Freedman, Red Barn Feed & Supply. Engenuity Engineering –Lisa Tropepe, Andre Rayman & Tara Bamber, Coppola Brothers, Christ Fellowship Westlake, John Archambo, our own Mr. Storm Recovery, with Ashbritt, Ashbritt—Brian Thomason, Bill Johnson, Thompson Consulting—Nate and Amanda Thompson, Coastal—Tonya Edwards, Trevor Black, John Casagrande, Brown Land Holdings—Steve & David Braswell, Keshavarz—Maziar & Amir Keshavarz and Randy Wertepny, Langan & Associates--Brian Merritt & Ryan Wolf, Bove Company-- Joe & Gabe Bove.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Town Council of Loxahatchee Groves does hereby recognize and honor Jo Siciliano and Jessie Siciliano for their unwavering dedication to the welfare of our town. We extend our heartfelt appreciation for their leadership, their strength, and their commitment to making Loxahatchee Groves a place where neighbors support each other through times of challenge and adversity.

## NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS INITIATIVE

In the Town of Loxahatchee Grove, Palm Beach County, Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Anita Kane, Mayor of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves, Palm Beach County, Florida, do hereby affix my official signature and the Official Seal of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves, FL, on this 12th day of November 2024.

Valerie Oakes, CMC, Town Clerk

Anita Kane, Mayor

Marg Herzog, Vice Mayor

Phillis Maniglia, Councilmember

Laura Danowski, Councilmember

Robert Shorr, Councilmember