

**Items # 47<sup>(4)</sup>**

**ADDITIONAL MATERIAL**

**Regular Meeting**

**JANUARY 29, 2019**

**SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF**

**VICE-MAYOR DALE V.C.**

**HOLNESS**



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January 28, 2019

The Honorable Dale V.C. Holness  
Broward Board of County Commissioners  
Broward County Governmental Center  
115 South Andrews Avenue, Room 417  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

RE: Letter of Support naming a wing after the late Judge T.J. Reddick, Jr.

Dear Vice-Mayor Holness:

The City of Lauderdale Lakes would like to share its whole-hearted support for the naming of a wing of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit Court of Florida Judicial Complex located at 201 Southeast 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301, after the late former Circuit Court Judge, Judge Thomas J. Reddick, Jr.

On January 22, 2019, the City Commission discussed and unanimous supported the aforementioned. The City Commission is advancing a resolution regarding the same. Upon receipt of the duly adopted resolution, a final copy will be submitted for your records.

Signed,

Hazelle Rogers  
Mayor

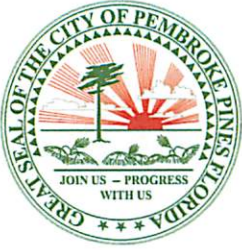
Governing Body:

Mayor Hazelle Rogers, Vice-Mayor Sandra Davey

Commissioner Marilyn Davis, Commissioner Beverly Williams, Commissioner Veronica Edwards Phillips

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January 17, 2019

The Broward County Board of County Commissioners  
c/o Mayor Mark Bogen  
115 S. Andrews Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

**Re: Naming of East Wing of Broward County Courthouse  
Thomas J. Reddick Jr.**

Dear Mayor, Vice-Mayor and Commissioners:

On Wednesday, January 16, 2019, the City of Pembroke Pines voted unanimously to support the agenda item before the Broward County Board of County Commissioners to name the East Wing of the new Broward County Courthouse in memory of former Judge Thomas J. "JT" Reddick, Jr.

Judge Reddick was passionate about justice for all. In pursuing that passion, Judge Reddick was a first in many ways that have positively impacted our entire community. As outlined by the South Florida Caribbean News in November, Judge Reddick was "the first Black attorney to open an office and practice law in Broward County, the first Black attorney appointed to the Broward County Court of Record, and the first Black person elected to serve as Circuit Court Judge in the State of Florida."

Based upon Judge Reddick's lifelong commitment to the community, attorneys formed an association and named it "The TJ Reddick Bar Association." Formed to pursue equal access to law firms and the courthouse leadership, Judge Reddick's legacy continues to impact the community. As described by The TJ Reddick Bar Association, "Today, the Association has broadened its purpose and is dedicated to promoting the professional excellence of Black lawyers in Broward County, increasing the enrollment of minority students in college and law school, and promoting the general welfare of all citizens in Broward County. The Association not only provides legal-advice clinics, its member also mentor minority law students attending local law schools."

Judge Reddick's life example, legacy and the effort on behalf of the Bar Association in his name have bettered not only the Broward County professional community for all lawyers and judges, but have transformed lives and the community at large.

Therefore, the City of Pembroke Pines Commission unanimously and enthusiastically endorses your decision to proceed forward with the naming of the East Wing of the 17<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Courthouse, in and for Broward County, in memory of and for Thomas J. "JT" Reddick.

Frank C. Ortis, Mayor  
City of Pembroke Pines

Cc: Members of the City Commission  
Charles F. Dodge, City Manager