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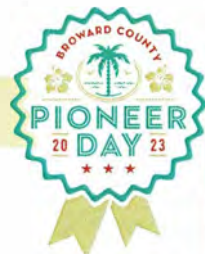
PIONEER

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HONORING BROWARD'S
PIONEER SPIRIT



WILTON MANORS



CONSTANCE RUPPENDER



Moving to Fort Lauderdale in late 1983 during a recession I was blessed to find a job right away, and other successes followed. In April 1987, I moved into my home in Wilton Manors and five days later gave birth to my youngest daughter, Samantha.



I taught for one year at Fort Lauderdale High School, then segued into nonprofit work with Easter Seals of Broward County. I had a few different jobs over the years, including a stint at ArtServe. My truly formative years was my time spent working for Fort Lauderdale Historical Society. From 2002 to 2005 I served as executive director for Old Davie School. During my tenure we moved the 1912 Veile House onto the school's site and I got to drive the truck a few feet. It took a couple of days and it was a media circus and just so much fun. And, we saved that amazing house.

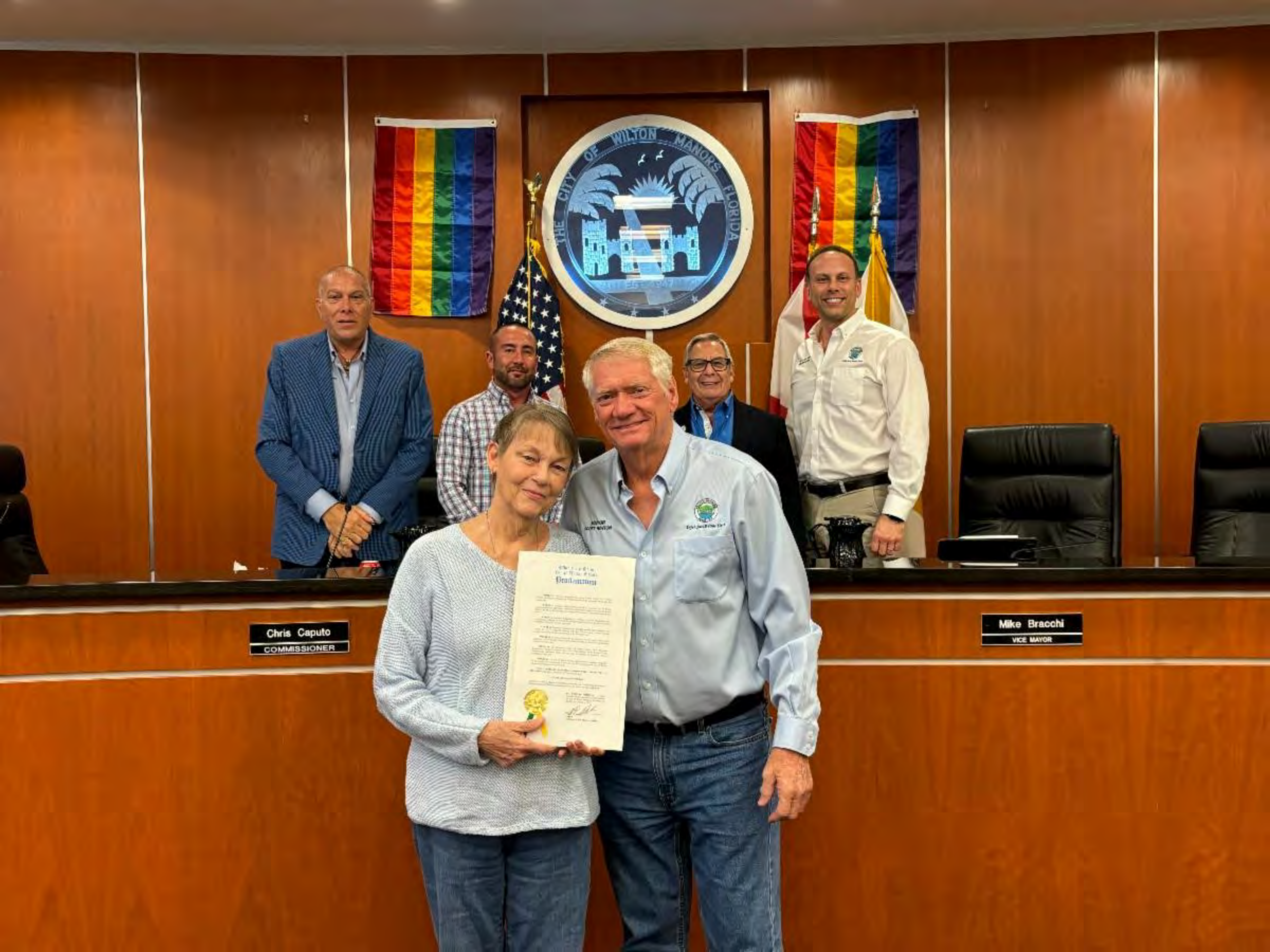
I joined the staff of Central Broward Water Control District, where I wore many hats over my 16 years with them. I've served on city boards and learned to see the 'big picture.' I recognize all the valuable contributions made by those Wilton Manors residents who came before me. It has been my pleasure to offer my time and talents for the past twenty-six years; and I plan to help keep Wilton Manors the great place it continues to be.

Nominated by Wilton Manors Historical Society

WILTON MANORS

Before it was named Wilton Manors, the area in which Wilton Manors is now located was known as Colohatchee. This name appeared as the name of a train stop on the Florida East Coast railroad in these early days of Floridian development. The name Wilton Manors was created by a land developer from Georgia in 1925. Ned Willingham led the early development of the town, and Wilton Manors was officially incorporated as a municipality in 1947.





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Forward to: **Broward County Historic Preservation Board** (Email: hpb@broward.org)
or C/O Rick Ferrer, Historic Preservation Officer
Broward County, Urban Planning Division
1 North University Drive, Box 102, Plantation, FL 33324

2023 PIONEER DAY NOMINATION AND BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION FORM

In selecting a nominee for Broward County Pioneer, please include as a primary consideration the individual's contribution to his/her community. Length of residence in Broward County should not be the basis for selection. Please include sufficient biographical information of your nominee. One (1) high resolution photograph and one (1) historical photograph of the nominee is requested for inclusion.

Nominating Entity:

Pioneer's Name:

Mailing Address (Including city, state, zip):

Telephone and Email:

Place and Date of Birth:

Date of arrival in Broward County; if born elsewhere:

Spouse/Domestic Partner Name:

Child(rens) Name(s):

Mother's and Father's Names:

Education:

Memberships/Hobbies/Volunteerism:

Reminiscences of the Pioneer's Life in Broward County (please provide 1 early and 1 current photo for publication)