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**SUMMARY PROFILE:**

- + EXPERIENCED IN GOVERNMENTAL POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND FINANCES DUE TO A LIFETIME OF CIVIC INVOLVEMENT AS A THIRTY-FOUR YEAR BROWARD COUNTY EDUCATOR, SERVED TEN YEARS ON CITY OF PLANTATION COUNCIL, AND EIGHT YEARS AS A “STRONG MAYOR” FOR THE CITY OF PLANTATION. AS A “STRONG MAYOR” ONE OVERSEES ALL OPERATIONAL ASPECTS OF THE CITY. AS A BROWARD COUNTY READING SPECIALIST ONE PLANS CURRICULUM, EVALUATES INSTRUCTORS, AND ASSESSES TESTING DATA FOR SCHOOLS.

**CIVIC INVOLVEMENT:**

**ALACHUA COUNTY:**

- + LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY AND PLANNING COMMISSION  
MAY 2022 - PRESENT
- + ALACHUA COUNTY ECONOMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
2019-2021
- + TURNBERRY LAKE HOMEOWNERS ADVISORY BOARD  
2022- PRESENT
- + HCA HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER  
2018-2020

**BROWARD COUNTY CIVIC INVOLVEMENT(PAST):**

- + HCA HOSPITALS: WESTSIDE REGIONAL AND PLANTATION GENERAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- + BROWARD COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES
- + BROWARD COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

**EDUCATION:**

FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY  
BACHELOR OF ARTS

**SKILLS/RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- + DEMONSTRATED MANAGERIAL TOOLS BOTH ORGANIZATIONAL AND COMMUNICATIVE TO RUN THE CITY’S DAILY OPERATIONS OF 88,000 RESIDENTS
- + ABIDED BY CITY CHARTER
- + WORKED COLLABORATIVELY WITH FIFTEEN MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS
- + EXECUTED LONG TERM AND SHORT TERM SUSTAINABILITY
- + ENGAGED ACTIVELY IN THE FINANCIAL PROCESSES
- + ACHIEVED AN ANNUAL BALANCED BUDGET
- + IMPLEMENTED MUNICIPAL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
- + SERVED ON CITY’S PENSIONS BOARDS
- + NEGOTIATED MUNICIPAL AND UNION CONTRACTS
- + ACCOMPLISHED SECURING A \$60 MILLION AD VALOREM BOND
- + COMPLIED WITH FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAWS
- + WORKED WITH STATE OF FLORIDA LEGISLATORS AND MUNICIPAL LOBBYISTS
- + CREATED MUNICIPAL CODES, ORDINANCE, HEALTH AND WELLNESS PROGRAMS
- + FACILITATED AND ATTENDED BIMONTHLY COUNCIL MEETINGS
- + ATTENDED MONTHLY COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND RESOLVED NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES
- + RAN FIVE SUCCESSFUL POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS: TWO MAYOR AND THREE COUNCIL