

City of Fort Lauderdale
Honored Founder

**PROCLAMATION HONORING
TERRY W. STILES
AS HONORED FOUNDER FOR 2017**

- WHEREAS,** *Terry W. Stiles was born on August 11, 1947 in Cincinnati, Ohio, graduated from Northeast High School in Oakland Park, Florida where he stills holds the school record for doing more than 2,000 sit ups without stopping and, in 1971, returned home from the University of Kentucky to assume the role of Chief Executive Officer of Stiles Construction Company, known today as Stiles Corporation; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Over the next four and a half decades, Terry Stiles' leadership inspired the revitalization of downtown Fort Lauderdale and shaped the City's iconic skyline through more than four million square feet of award-winning, innovative, and sustainable developments, including 300 and 350 Las Olas Place, Amaray Las Olas, the AutoNation Headquarters, Bank of America Plaza at Las Olas City Centre, Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Museum of Discovery and Science, New River Center, and many, many others; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Terry Stiles also put his mark on Fort Lauderdale's Uptown Business District, spearheading the development of Corporate Park at Cypress Creek, one of Broward County's first master-planned business parks. He then encouraged surrounding property owners to voluntarily annex large tracts of land into Fort Lauderdale, resulting in tens of millions of dollars in ad valorem tax revenue for the City; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Terry Stiles embodied the true meaning of giving back to his community through his support of numerous non-profit, charitable, educational, and philanthropic organizations, including the Jack and Jill Children's Center, Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Junior Achievement, Boys & Girls Club, Broward College, Humane Society, Kids in Distress, and Habitat for Humanity; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Terry Stiles was the recipient of numerous awards and accolades, including the NAIOP National Developer of the Year and South Florida Developer of the Year (2000); Urban Land Institute Lifetime Achievement Award (2009); Sun-Sentinel Philanthropist of the Year Award (2003); United Way Community Hero Award (1996); Fort Lauderdale Citizen of the Year (1999); and Sun-Sentinel Excalibur Award (1985); and*
- WHEREAS,** *Away from the office, Terry Stiles was an avid boater and angler, regularly fishing in Key West, Mexico, and South America; he enjoyed racing cars at venues across the U.S., but considered spending time with his wife Jamie, three children – Tresa, Carrie, and Ken – and six grandchildren as his most important gift; and*
- WHEREAS,** *In recognition of Terry Stiles' tremendous contributions to urban design and development, the City's Community Appearance Board intends to name a special award in his honor that will be presented annually for excellence in building and urban design and serve to carry on his legacy for years to come; and*
- WHEREAS,** *For nearly half a century, Terry Stiles was an ambassador for the City of Fort Lauderdale and served as an exemplary role model through his dedication, professionalism, volunteerism, and commitment to our community. His memory will live on in the thousands of lives he touched and his extraordinary life will serve to inspire a new generation of leaders to carry the torch for a brighter tomorrow.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

- Section 1:** *That Terry Stiles is hereby selected and honored as Honored Founder of the City of Fort Lauderdale for 2017 in recognition of his many accomplishments and valuable contributions to the City of Fort Lauderdale and that the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale hereby publicly recognizes and acknowledges these achievements and contributions and does hereby express its heartfelt appreciation to Terry Stiles.*
- Section 2:** *That a keepsake honoring Terry Stiles as Honored Founder of the City of Fort Lauderdale for 2017 shall be presented to his family, and a plaque shall be placed in the lobby of Fort Lauderdale City Hall.*
- Section 3:** *That a copy of this proclamation recognizing Terry Stiles as the 2017 Honored Founder shall be presented to his family as a further token of the sincere gratitude and appreciation of the City of Fort Lauderdale.*

DATED this, *the 7th day of November 2017.*




Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler

