

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

MEETING DATE 12/7/2011

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY O11-111-1

- AWARDS / PRESENTATIONS / PETITIONS
- CONSENT
- PUBLIC HEARING
 - ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING
 - ORDINANCE ON FIRST HEARING

- REGULAR
- RESOLUTION
- DISCUSSION & DELIBERATION
- BOARD APPOINTMENT
- WORKSHOP

SUBJECT: Proclamation declaring January Nation Mentoring Month

City Attorney	Marina
City Clerk	Police
Community Development	Public Works
Finance	Purchasing
Fire	Recreation & Parks
Human Resources	Utilities
Library	Information Systems

APPROVED BY CITY MANAGER:  DATE: 11-30-11

Originating Dept. LEGISLATIVE 	Costs: <u>N/A</u>	City Council Actions: <input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Approved w/conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Denied <input type="checkbox"/> Tabled to _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Referred to Staff
User Dept.	Current FY: _____	Attachments: one proclamation
Advertised: Date: Paper: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	Funding Source: <input type="checkbox"/> Capital Improvement <input type="checkbox"/> Operating <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
Affected Parties <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notified <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	Budget Account Number: _____	

BACKGROUND / SUMMARY:

The Children Services Council has been providing mentoring and leadership services to children and their families in Riviera Beach. Mentoring is a strategy that has proven to be quite successful in our community. This strategy uses responsible adults to befriend children, guide and encourage them to achieve their full potential, assist children in the development of problem solving skills and to promote and share positive experiences in life. As a result, more children stay out of trouble, graduate from high school and become productive members of society.

PROCLAMATION
FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH,
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, mentoring provides an exemplary opportunity for youth in Riviera Beach to have more positive role models in their lives; and

WHEREAS, mentoring is connecting caring adult volunteers with young people in our schools and communities to promote their successes, encourage healthy behaviors, and build stronger communities; and

WHEREAS, mentoring volunteers give time and support, share a skill or experience, and are willing to share knowledge; and

WHEREAS, mentoring assists youth in maintaining good attendance, improving academic achievement, and improving high school graduation rates; and

WHEREAS, research shows that mentored youth are 52% less likely to skip a day of school, 46% less likely to start using drugs, and 27% less likely to start drinking; and

WHEREAS, mentoring is a true partnership, requiring businesses, parents, volunteers, administrators, teachers, students, and private and public community members to work together to provide a successful program; and

WHEREAS, mentoring volunteers contribute significantly to enhance community involvement and civic enjoyment opportunities.

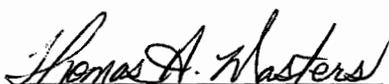
WHEREAS, National Mentoring Month provides an opportunity to recognize and commend the efforts of these programs and raise community awareness of the importance of mentoring;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Thomas A. Masters, Mayor of the City of Riviera Beach, Florida, on behalf of the City Council and citizenry of the City of Riviera Beach, do hereby proclaim the month of January, 2012 as:

National Mentoring Month

IN WITNESS THEREFORE, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Riviera Beach to be affixed on this 7th Day of December Two Thousand Eleven, A.D.

ATTEST:



Thomas A. Masters, Mayor


Carrie E. Ward, MMC, City Clerk