

Dr. Wazir A. Ishmael

WHEREAS, Wazir A. Ishmael was born in Guyana and spent his early childhood on a sugar plantation in Berbice, Guyana where his father worked as a dispenser, a cross between a pharmacist and a physician, and

WHEREAS, Wazir A. Ishmael attended Bentham Grammar School in England, where he was one of only two children of color, and received a bachelor's degree with honors from the University of East Anglia in England, a Master's of Urban Regional Planning from the University of Miami, and a Doctorate in Urban Studies from Portland State University, and

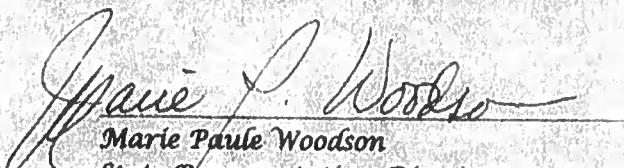
WHEREAS, Dr. Ishmael joined the City of Hollywood in August 2014 as an Assistant City Manager after serving in several leadership positions throughout his career, and was appointed City Manager on December 3, 2014, by the Hollywood City Commission, and

WHEREAS, as City Manager, Dr. Ishmael oversaw more than 1,589 full-time and part-time employees with a combined budget of nearly \$755 million and led the city to greater heights and his impact on Broward County will be felt for generations to come, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ishmael has over 30 years of experience as a local government administrator, planner, educator, and international business executive with the City of Miramar; Broward County Planning Council; Clark County, Washington; Wigan County Council, Lancashire, United Kingdom; and PlanLogical Corporation, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ishmael is the proud father of two exceptional children and has been married to his lovely wife for 27 years, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESPECTFULLY PROCLAIMED that Dr. Wazir A. Ishmael is thanked for his years of service to the City of Hollywood, Broward County, and the state, commended on a job well done, and congratulated on the occasion of his retirement.


Marie Paule Woodson
State Representative, District 105