

## Presented to Gene Matthews

in recognition of his 50 years of service in Sarasota County

Since 1972, Gene Matthews has actively advocated for Sarasota County, the City of North Port, the business community, and the community at large. In addition to serving as a Sarasota County Commissioner from 1993-1996, he held a position on the Sarasota County School Board. He also served on the North Port Chamber of Commerce Business & Economic Development and Government Relations Committees.

As evidence of his commitment to our community, the Gene Matthews Boys & Girls Club in North Port was named in his honor. He was awarded North Port Businessman of the Year in 1992 and was inducted into the first Business Advocate Hall of Fame by the North Port Chamber in 2015.

This certificate is awarded in recognition of the honor and esteem accorded to Gene Matthews, in appreciation of his 50 years of dedication and service to the City of North Port and Sarasota County. It is presented as a remembrance by the Sarasota County Commission, this 3rd day of April, 2023.

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