

**WHEREAS**, James Lamar Shuler, was born on August 14, 1953 to the late Cleveland and Marian Stewart Shuler in Boynton Beach, Florida ; and

**WHEREAS**, at a very young age, James Lamar Shuler and his family moved to Delray Beach where he attended S.D. Spady Elementary, Delray Beach Junior High and graduated from Atlantic High School in 1971., and

**WHEREAS**, after High School, he graduated from Miami-Dade Community College in 1976 with a degree in Mortuary Science and in 1977 became a Licensed Funeral Director; and

**WHEREAS**, James and Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler exchanged wedding vows in 1988; and

**WHEREAS**, his vision to own a funeral home became a reality on May 26, 1985, where Shuler's Memorial Chapel, Inc. of Delray Beach was dedicated. His vision further materialized with the dedication of a second facility located in Boynton Beach, FL on August 27, 1989. His ultimate dream was to build a state of the art quality funeral facility in West Palm Beach and in 2008, Shuler's Memorial Chapel in West Palm Beach celebrated its grand opening; and

**WHEREAS**, his community service included membership with Alpha Gamma Chapter of Epsilon Nu Delta Mortuary Fraternity, Delray Beach Masonic Lodge #275, Chairman of the West Atlantic Redevelopment Coalition, Inc., Chairman of the Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency, Delray Beach Voter's League and the N.A.A.C.P., Planning and Zoning Board, Delray Beach Mayor's Ad Hoc and Vision 2000 Committee and Mission for Liberia, an organization to raise funds to build a school in Liberia. Also an adjunct professor at Lynn University Mortuary Science Department; and

**WHEREAS**, James Lamar Shuler was a member of St. Paul AME Church of Delray Beach where he was bestowed an award for outstanding community service from his church. He received a Business and Industry Award in 1988, received a Civic Award from Delta Epsilon Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Awarded Citizen of the year by Omega Psi Phi Fraternity in 1991 and received a Certificate of Commendation from the Knights of Pythagoras, Chapter No. 5; and

**WHEREAS**, James Lamar Shuler was recognized by the Delray Beach Community Appearance Board for Excellence in Design in the category of Restoration and Beautification of the Shuler Chapel in Delray Beach, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 18, 2017, the City of Delray Beach changed S.W. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to S.W. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue/James Lamar Shuler Avenue from West Atlantic Avenue to SW 10<sup>th</sup> Street.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, CARY D. GLICKSTEIN**, Mayor of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, on behalf of the City Commission and the citizens of Delray Beach, do hereby celebrate the late:

**JAMES LAMAR SHULER**

for the legacy in which he leaves behind that still thrives today.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, to be affixed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2017.

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**CARY D. GLICKSTEIN**  
**MAYOR**