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To Whom It May Concern:

My wife, Gwen, our children and I relocated from Orlando to Melbourne in 1988, upon my appointment as President of Holmes Regional Medical Center (HRMC), the county's largest tertiary hospital. We have enjoyed the many benefits of living in this dynamic Oceanside community and especially value the relationships we've established over the last 20-plus years.

It has been my pleasure to have known Val Steele, and to have worked with Val and his family on various community initiatives and events since moving to Brevard County.

Val has a long history of service in the Brevard community. He has served on the Board of Directors of HRMC and has held many elected positions in County Government. Val has a reputation as a straight-shooter, and go-to-guy for savvy real estate and sound banking advice. His many years of experience in this and the south Florida communities have left him with an innate wisdom that we have come to rely upon.

Respectfully,

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