Happy Thanksgiving! I hope you enjoy time with family and friends this week. I am thankful for each of you and the opportunity to serve as your commissioner. It is an honor to work every day with the commission, residents, businesses and staff to plan for the future of our city!

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Homelessness

The City Commission is committed to helping the 2,300 men, women, and children in Broward County experiencing homelessness. The City has joined the initiative, United We End Homelessness, by partnering with AutoNation, Broward County, the United Way of Broward County, the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance, and a coalition of business leaders to alleviate the county’s homelessness epidemic. The Broward Business Council on Homeless is supporting Broward County’s Continuum of Care “Housing First” approach. “Housing First” is a national best practice that focuses on quickly moving people experiencing homelessness into independent and permanent housing, then provides additional support services based on individual needs. The Salvation Army is exploring a day respite program, which will offer a place to gather during the day to provide the much needed support services. Additional wraparound services will be provided throughout the community to ensure those who need help receive medical, mental health, and social services. The new Landlord Engagement and Assistance Program (LEAP)
will provide incentives for landlords with rental housing units in Broward County who rent to residents experiencing homelessness.

Fort Lauderdale is expanding its effort to provide a **Comprehensive Homeless Strategy** that leverages resources and unifies a collaborative effort to ending homelessness. The City is doing so by initiating a **Community Court Pilot Program** that directly addresses the City’s strategic goals of reducing non-violent crimes, supporting public safety, and reducing homelessness. The City applied for and received a $200,000 grant from the Center for Court Innovation and the Department of Justice to implement and administer the first Community Court in Florida. To continue our effort to ending homelessness, the City Commission approved funding to support a **Food Repatriation Program**, to address the repatriation of food from restaurants to homeless shelters and food pantries around the City that serve meals to neighbors. Additionally, over the last two years, Fort Lauderdale successfully administered a **Rapid Rehousing Program** that leveraged $900,000 in state funding along with local resources to provide permanent housing for 498 of the most vulnerable homeless in our city, which included 115 families. We will continue to work with community partners to find permanent housing for those in need.

If you are a member of the business community and want to learn more about the Broward Business Council on Homelessness or the LEAP program, please call 954-462-4850 or visit www.UnitedWeEndHomelessness.org. Individuals, families and community organizations wishing to participate in collaborative efforts to end homelessness are encouraged to call 954-357-6101, or email AWayHome@Broward.org.

Together we will find a home for everyone in Fort Lauderdale. I encourage you to join us in this effort.

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**Photo Gallery**

Thank you Junior League of Greater Fort Lauderdale for hosting and letting me speak at Your Vote..Your Voice.

Always happy to be with students in District 1 and promote a love of learning. Broward Reads for the Record 2018!
Thank you Hope Women’s Center for the wonderful tour and for helping over 5,300 patients this year!

Honoring our Veterans everyday! Thank you for serving!

Thank you Florida Aviation Academy and Mayor Jose Alvarez for bringing your knowledge about an aviation charter school to Fort Lauderdale.

It was an honor to welcome our visiting government officials from Guangdong, China. They were keen to learn about how our City and County responds to emergencies caused by severe weather and efforts we are taking to address resiliency.

Please Join Us For A Pre-Agenda Meeting

December 3rd
6:00-7:00 PM
Beach Community Center
3351 NE 33rd Ave

December 17th
6:00- 7:00 PM
George English Park
Check Out Events Happening in Our City

**Light Up the Galt**
November 28, 2018, 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM
North Beach Restaurants and Shops at 16th and Oakland Park Blvd, along 31st and 33rd Streets

**Panthers in the Park**
Ice Skating Rink
November 26, 2016 - January 8, 2017
Hulzenga Plaza

**Light Up the Beach**
November 21, 2018, 5:30 - 9:30 PM
North Beach Community Center

**Light Up Sistrunk**
Friday, December 7, 2018, 5:00 PM
Historic Sistrunk Boulevard

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1101 Bayview Drive
Dockless Mobility Program has arrived to Fort Lauderdale! This program allows users to rent bikes and electric scooters from almost anywhere. Please check out the Fort Lauderdale website for more information.

Fort Lauderdale Link

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Dockless Mobility User Guidelines

Ride respectfully and safely
- Always yield to pedestrians on sidewalks or crosswalks
- One person per scooter or bike
- Never drink and ride
- Always obey traffic laws
- Wear a helmet whenever possible
- Dockless bikes and scooters are authorized for use on public right-of-way (streets, parks, sidewalks, etc.) only
- Never leave the City of Fort Lauderdale, as surrounding cities may not have permitted dockless bikes and scooters

Park courteously
- Always leave at least 4 feet clear on the sidewalk
- Always park bikes and scooters upright using their kickstands
- Never park on private property, in the street, or in on-street parking spots
- Never block:
  - Wheelchair ramps
  - Business entrances
  - Fire hydrants
  - Parking spots
  - Street furniture (benches, trash cans, etc.)

Fix or report issues you find
- If you see a fallen scooter or bicycle, be a good neighbor and upright it, if able.
- Submit major issues to:
  - the dockless bike or scooter provider via their app
  - or the City of Fort Lauderdale via the Lauderdale app or by calling the 24-hour Customer Service Center at (954) 827-8000.

For more information, please contact the Transportation and Mobility Department at (954) 833-4336 or docklessmobility@fortlauderdale.gov.

www.fortlauderdale.gov/docklessmobility  Follow us on social media & tag us! Use #docklessinFTL
Apply Today

The following boards are available to serve on for District 1:

- Budget Advisory Board
- Cemetery System Board of Trustees
- Community Appearance Board
- Education Advisory Board
- Fire-Rescue Facilities Bond Issue Blue Ribbon Committee
- Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Redevelopment Board
- Parks, Recreation and Beach Board

If you are interested, please apply online.

Feel free to contact our office or Erica Franceschi at EFranceschi@fortlauderdale.gov or 954-828-5288 for any questions.

Visit our website to learn more about District 1  
Email Our Office for questions, concerns, or appointments

PHONE 954-828-5033  FAX 954-828-5667

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