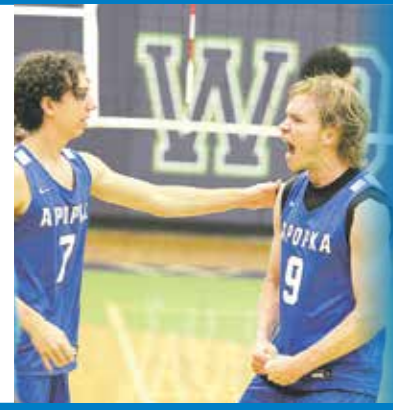


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Nesta prepares to take office

Mayor-elect talks priorities, transition

By Sarah Merly
Reporter

Mayor-elect Nick Nesta announced his transition plans in a Wednesday Facebook post, a week after he won an April 14 runoff to become Apopka's next mayor.

"Now that the votes have been counted, I want to begin by saying thank you," Nesta said. "I'm honored by the trust you've placed in me, and I'm excited to begin the work ahead serving our community."

During his time as mayor-

or-elect, Nesta has primarily devoted his time to building a "transition team," who will aid him "in meeting with departments" and "gathering information," according to his post.

"We're making sure residents that have a background or an interest in a certain area within the city, or that they have a lot of information on, that they get plugged in properly," Nesta said in a Wednesday afternoon interview with The Apopka Chief. "They start having the meetings with those individual departments or department heads

NEW MAYOR, A5



Courtesy of Brian Mater

Mayor-elect Nick Nesta poses with his family and campaign manager Brian Mater at his April 14 mayoral watch party.

Charter school plan clears committee

State law allows project to bypass additional review

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

A proposed K-8 charter school on Plymouth-Sorrento Road will not be required to undergo further Development Review Committee (DRC) review or public hearings, following discussion at the committee's Wednesday meeting.

"This is a charter school, and state statute exempts this from going to any public hearings for approvals," Bobby Howell, DRC chair, said during the meeting.

Because of that designation, the project must be treated the same as a public school and is not subject to the special exception or public hearing processes typically required for other developments, Howell added.

The proposal, submitted as a construction site

plan for a charter school at 1829 and 1839 Plymouth-Sorrento Road, came before the committee as a third submittal.

Planning staff reported only minor outstanding comments, including one related to landscaping that has been forwarded for legal review, according to project manager Jun Sohn. Furthermore, transportation-related comments had also not yet been received at the time of the meeting, he said.

Sohn requested conditional approval, noting that no additional DRC meetings would be necessary.

DRC members indicated they had no comments, and staff confirmed that prior comments had been addressed. Following discussion, the committee reached consensus that the project would not need to return for further review.

The project was first introduced to the Development Review Commit-

CHARTER SCHOOL, A8

COMMUNITY MURAL



Photo by Luis Rivera

Artist Ben Keller paints a new mural on the Domino's wall at 2 E. Main Street. The mural is the result of a partnership between Domino's, Apopka Serves Foundation, The Apopka Chief, Apopka Murals and Creative Hub of Apopka and pays tribute to the history, spirit and culture of the city. An unveiling is set for 6:30 p.m. Friday.



File photo

The Plymouth-Sorrento Road/West Lester Road intersection is near the site of a proposed charter school.

Orlando Magic legend will keynote Apopka Mayor's Prayer Breakfast

Staff Reports

Nick Anderson, the Orlando Magic's first-ever draft pick in 1989, will be the keynote speaker at the annual Apopka Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, on May 7.

The annual National Day of Prayer event, which is hosted by the Apopka Christian Ministerial Alliance (ACMA), brings together local government officials, business leaders, clergy and

residents for a morning of prayer focused on the community and region.

With hundreds of attendees each year, the breakfast not only includes a keynote speaker but also a musical performance, a video presentation, and a community leader member from each sector—including local government, military and faith—leading attend-

PRAYER BREAKFAST, A6



Courtesy of ACMA

Nick Anderson

Orange County program permits housing on church-owned land

Board aims to grow affordable housing

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

A newly approved Orange County housing program could create opportunities for affordable housing on church-owned land in and around Apopka, though

HOUSING, A7



File photo by Marshall Tempest

L-R: Commissioner Mayra Uribe, Mayor Jerry Demings and Commissioner Maribel Gomez Codero voted to approve the new housing program last month.

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Yard work is like poetry: It has no rhyme or reason

“April is the cruelest month.”

That is the opening line of T.S. Eliot’s “The Waste-land,” a classic chunk of so-called poetry that Mrs. Rusk tried heroically to explain to a room full of teenagers in East Tennessee some 60 years ago.

Breath has rarely been as wasted as hers was in this event.

These children of soybean farmers had recently been chasing cows across frozen hills, chopping kindling, and huddling around Warm Morning heaters, breathing coal smoke and hoping the water pipes wouldn’t burst.

April looked pretty good to them.

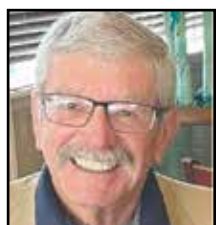
Mrs. Rusk may have had a first name, but if she did, I was no more interested in it than I was in whatever was troubling T.S. Eliot bad enough to make him write this poem. I probably only remember her last name because her brother-in-law was U.S. Secretary of State Dean Rusk.

He was trying to draw the line on World Communism, advising LBJ on what to do in Vietnam. We all know how that worked out. She was exploring 434 lines of incomprehensible blank verse with kids who sometimes drove tractors to school. You can probably guess how that worked out.

I bet when the Rusk family got together for dinners nobody wanted to sit next to either one of them. I can imagine the host warning whoever did get stuck at that end of the table, “for goodness sake, don’t ask them about work.”

I have been told that poetry is not meant to be understood, that if it makes you “feel” something, it has done its job. Well, I can tell you that when we got to that part about Tiresias, an “old man with wrinkled dug” who was awaiting “the young man carbuncular,” we

Columnist



Jake Vest

were feeling plenty of stuff. I, for one, was up to my carbunculars in confusion.

The problem, I now know, was only partly the poem. The real issue was the immaturity of the students and partly the place we were in. As kids, we saw April as

baseball, fishing, and in just a few weeks a vacation from poetry and algebra.

Adults in that place might have seen April as a time of plowing, setting out tomato plants, spring cleaning, paying taxes and looking ahead to sunburns, bee stings and sweltering nights in bedrooms without air conditioning.

As an old man in Florida, spending way too much time in my yard, I can see where T.S. Eliot and Mrs. Rusk were coming from. As a matter of fact, I am even coming to understand Dean Rusk and LBJ.

They must have looked at world communism the same way I look at dollar weed and its allies, like torpedo grass, sedge, stinging nettle, red sorrel and blue toadflax. Every time you pacify a little village of the stuff, it pops up somewhere else. But it is not a fight you can walk away from, because if it is not stopped, it will take over everything and destroy our way of life.

So we just keep pouring manpower, money and other resources into a fight that can’t be won. Nobody ever promised a light at the end of this yard-work tunnel, just blood, toil, tears and sweat. As lawn owners, we signed up for the duration, and we will fight it out on this line if it takes all summer. And it will.

When I consider the itchy, achy, sun-broiled weeks of futility ahead, I have one thought that gives me great comfort and helps me to go on:

At least I am not trying to teach poetry to hillbillies.

Schools enjoy robust official support

I woke up Monday morning with two emails in my inbox that inspired my topic this week. Both concerned Mayor Bryan Nelson and his involvement with our local public schools.

Throughout my time on the school board, Mayor Nelson has always been a steadfast supporter of our schools. I often write about this great community we live in and its support for our local schools, and part of the reason for that is we have leaders who model that involvement.

From the mayor to the city commissioners and our county commissioner, our schools know that if they need support, they can reach out to their leaders for that support.

Often, they show up without even being asked. Whether it’s the scholarships for agriculture students that Commissioner Alexander Smith gives to graduates, the service on advisory boards by Commissioner Diane Velazquez, the jackets given to families in need by Commissioner Nadia Anderson, the food donated for school events by Commissioner Nick Nesta, or the

Orange County School Board, District 7



Melissa Byrd

bikes given to kids by Commissioner Christine Moore, they show up.

This week, when my schools shared some good news with me, I was not surprised at all to see Mayor Nelson involved. He has always been there for support.

Of course, many people have had a burger cooked by Mayor Nelson at a football game, but one of my best experiences as a school board member came from the mayor.

Early in our tenure, he reached out to ask if I wanted to hand out donuts and coffee to the school bus drivers at the Apopka bus depot on the first day of school.

I eagerly agreed and met the mayor and his goodies in the dark at 5:30 a.m. on the first day to greet and thank our local school bus drivers. We have done this several times, and it’s always a treat.

With the election in the rear-view mirror, he showed up at Wekiva High School this week and presented checks from the city to the band, agriculture and JROTC programs. As far as I know, they were unannounced and unexpected, but very needed and appreciated.

He and his wife also organized a huge campus beautification event at Piedmont Lakes Middle School this past Saturday. The principal was so excited by the huge turnout that he emailed me Monday morning to share the good news. The group pressure-washed sidewalks and planted new, donated vegetation. The school shared that “they felt the love” at the event.

As Mayor Nelson’s time as mayor comes to an end, I know he will still be involved. I just wanted to say thank you for being such a strong supporter of our local schools these past eight years.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

On behalf of everyone at Loaves & Fishes, we would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to The Apopka Chief and the Apopka/Zellwood community for the incredible support shown during our March Match Madness annual fundraiser. We had the best year ever and collected \$95,884.61 and this will be matched by \$50,000 by an anonymous donor who graciously announced they would match up to \$50,000. Our grand total is \$145,884.61!

Each year, this effort reminds us just how blessed we are to be surrounded by a community that truly

cares for its neighbors. Through your generosity, prayers, donations, and encouragement, you help make it possible for Loaves & Fishes to continue serving individuals and families with a weekly food bag.

This past month has been a powerful reminder of what can happen when a community comes together with compassion and a shared desire to serve others. Every contribution, big or small, makes a meaningful difference in the lives of those we walk alongside every day.

We are deeply grateful to the churches, businesses, schools, or-

ganizations, volunteers and individuals who continue to support this mission. Your kindness reflects the very heart of service and reminds us of the words in Galatians 6:9, “Let us not grow weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.”

Thank you for standing with Loaves & Fishes and helping us continue this work of caring for our neighbors.

Lory Reeves
Director, Loaves & Fishes Apopka

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The recent mayoral election in Apopka was about more than selecting a new leader, it was about the community making a clear statement about the future it wants to build together. Residents across our city came together with a shared purpose: to set a new standard for leadership, communication, and accountability at the local level.

This election showed that Apopka wanted change. Voters made it clear they are looking for leadership that listens, engages and focuses on the real issues families face every day. They asked for conversations centered on infrastructure, responsible growth, public safety, transparency and protecting the character of our community. Just as importantly, they showed they want campaigns built on solutions, not distractions.

Residents also made it clear they

want reliable essentials they can count on every day. That includes safe, dependable drinking water, roads they can travel with confidence, and a clear plan to address traffic as the city continues to grow. Voters expect infrastructure planning that keeps pace with growth and protects the quality of life that makes Apopka a strong community.

Apopka also sent a message that reaches beyond our city limits. Our residents demonstrated that local elections can lead the way in setting expectations for leadership at the state and even federal levels. Voters made it known they want to hear real platforms that address real concerns, how decisions impact their neighborhoods, their families, and their financial future.

A key theme throughout the election was financial responsibility. Resi-

dents want to understand where their tax dollars are going and how decisions are being made. They want confidence that their money is being used wisely, efficiently and transparently. Many voters also made it clear they want leadership focused on finding ways to put money back into residents’ pockets whenever possible or at the very least ensuring every dollar spent delivers clear value to the community.

This election did more than choose a new mayor—it set a new standard for what residents expect from their local government. It showed that the people of Apopka are engaged, informed and ready to move forward together with a clear vision for the future. Most importantly, it demonstrated that when a community speaks with purpose, it can shape the direction of its city and serve as an example for others to follow.

Brian Mater

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Rail to Apopka still unfunded despite long-range plans

Officials cite cost, shifting priorities as barriers to SunRail expansion Apopka

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

As regional leaders advance plans to expand SunRail to Orlando International Airport, rail service to Apopka remains in long-range plans but without funding to move forward.

The issue resurfaced during an April 9 Orange County Transportation Mobility Advisory Commission (TransMAC) meeting at the John H. Bridges Community Center in Apopka, where board members discussed how improved transit connections could reduce congestion and better link the city to the region's major employment centers.

But while rail service to Apopka has been discussed for years, officials say the primary obstacle is straightforward.

"It's just not funded—that's what it comes down to," Darrell Moody, a spokesperson for Orange County Public Works, said.

A proposed commuter rail extension to Apopka—often referred to as the Orange Blossom Express corridor—was included in Orange County's 2022 transportation sales tax referendum, which voters rejected. Without a dedicated funding source for both construction and operations, the project has not advanced.

Apopka Mayor Bryan Nelson



Photo by Teresa Sargeant

A SunRail train travels along an existing rail corridor in Maitland, near a signalized crossing. While the system serves parts of Central Florida, Apopka remains outside current rail expansion priorities.

said efforts to position the corridor for future passenger rail have been underway for years, including upgrades to an existing rail line.

"As the former Orange County commissioner and mayor of Apopka, I had asked Florida Central Railroad to upgrade their rail line from Tavares to Apopka and then into Orlando," Nelson said in an email. "We call this line the Orange Blossom Express."

Nelson said the Orange Blossom Express has seen improvements, including upgraded tracks and crossing signals capable of supporting passenger rail if funding were to become available.

Still, he acknowledged that cost remains a significant barrier.

"The current operating cost to the cities of Altamonte [Springs], Maitland and Winter Park is very steep, and without dedicated County, State and Federal help, it might not make sense to add the Orange

Blossom Express to the SunRail system," Nelson said.

The corridor itself has not been revisited in recent years. The last formal study of a rail connection along U.S. Highway 441 was completed by the Florida Department of Transportation in 2015, Brett Blackadar, Orange County Public Works deputy director, said in an email.

Since then, regional priorities have shifted. According to MetroPlan Orlando, Apopka remains part of long-range transportation plans, including potential bus rapid transit corridors and future SunRail improvements tied to the Orange Blossom Express concept.

However, those plans remain conceptual, with no timeline or ranking for implementation.

"As of now, the main priority for SunRail expansion is connecting to Orlando International Airport," Sarah Larsen, Metro-

Plan Orlando transportation planner, said in an email, referring to the Sunshine Corridor project.

Beyond that effort, "additional expansions have not been prioritized or ranked," Larsen added.

Orange County officials confirmed that the Sunshine Corridor—linking SunRail to the airport and the tourism district—is further along in the planning and funding process than the Apopka rail corridor.

Even so, both projects face the same challenge: securing long-term funding. Officials say the region's focus on connecting SunRail to Orlando International Airport reflects a priority on increasing ridership and linking major economic centers, even as communities like Apopka continue to experience rapid growth.

During the April 9 TransMAC meeting, board member Jose Hoyos, a LYNX bus operator who works frequently near Orlando International Airport, said a direct rail connection could significantly improve mobility for Apopka residents.

"I don't want SunRail just to be a separate rail line, commuter rail line. I want it to be an extension of the airport," Hoyos said during the meeting.

Nelson said such a connection could expand regional access, allowing residents to travel from communities west of Apopka into Orlando and beyond.

"It could be a game changer," he said. "But without financial help, the cost to taxpayers would be a heavy lift."

Orange County launches small business program

Application portal opened on April 8

Staff Reports

Orange County recently announced the launch of its Small Business Enterprise (SBE) Program and the opening of its application portal for businesses seeking certification.

"The launch of the SBE Program reflects Orange County's ongoing dedication to creating equitable access to contracting opportunities for small businesses," said Sheena Ferguson, manager of the Business Development Division, in an April 8 press release. "We are excited to open the application portal and begin welcoming businesses into this new program."

The county's Board of County Commissioners (BCC) approved the development and implementation of the SBE Program last July, then approved policies and procedures on March 24.

According to Orange County, the SBE program was designed to "support the growth and sustainability of small businesses, increase participation in County procurement and contracting opportunities, and promote a competitive and equitable local business environment."

Those interested in learning more may visit ocfl.net/VendorServices/SmallBusinessVendors.aspx or call the Business Development Division at 407-836-7317. The application portal is available at ocfl.gob2g.com.

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Apopka explores proposed trail link across S.R. 429

Early-stage concept could align with available funding

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

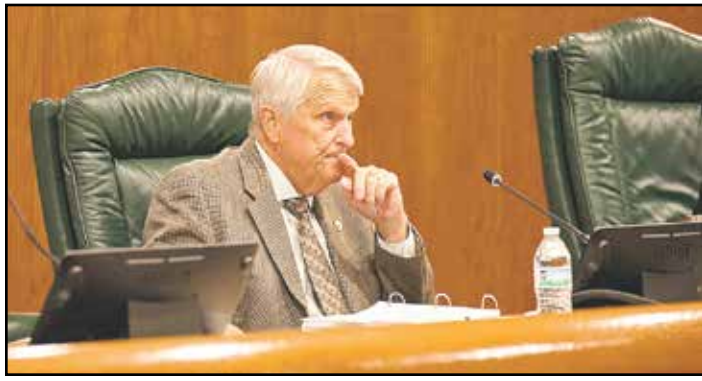


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Mayor Bryan Nelson said the timing of a potential trail connection could align with available funding sources including state conservation programs.

Apopka officials are exploring a potential trail connection in the northwest part of the city that could link regional trail systems while advancing conservation goals.

City planner Jean Sanchez introduced the early-stage concept during the April 15 City Commission meeting, describing it as an opportunity to improve east-west connectivity across State Road 429.

“The focus is a potential connection across State Road 429 ... which currently acts as a barrier to the east-west movement,” Sanchez said.

If pursued, the trail would function as a connector between existing and planned re-

gional systems, including Lake County’s Neighborhood Lakes Trailhead to the north and, potentially, the West Orange Trail to the south, which feeds into Florida’s Coast-to-Coast Trail network.

Sanchez emphasized that the proposal remains conceptual.

“At this stage, there’s no concept design yet,” she said.

“This is simply an introduction to the opportunity ... as that coordination continues.”

From a planning standpoint, the connection would address a documented gap in the city’s active transportation network and support broader efforts to create more walkable, bike-friendly infrastructure. It could also enhance access near the Kelly Park Inter-

change, an area targeted for mixed-use, pedestrian-oriented development.

The concept is being explored in coordination with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), which is evaluating whether parcels in the study area meet criteria for inclusion in the state’s wildlife corridor priorities.

That designation could open the door to funding tied to conservation and mitigation programs.

Sanchez said the effort builds on a regional partnership model involving local governments, FWC and the Central Florida Expressway Authority (CFX), similar to an approach used at Split Oak Forest Wildlife and Environmental Area, an estimated 2,000-acre conservation area located in southeast Orange and Osceola counties.

There, transportation impacts from the Osceola Park-

way extension were offset through a mitigation strategy that included land acquisition, long-term land management and the incorporation of wildlife crossings and trail connections.

“What we’re exploring here is whether a similar approach could apply where trail connection also supports wildlife corridor objectives,” Sanchez said.

The mitigation plan at Split Oak Forest has drawn criticism from environmental groups, who argue it allowed development on previously protected land, Central Florida Public Media reported.

Against that backdrop, Sanchez said Apopka’s concept remains in an evaluation phase, with FWC determining whether the targeted parcels meet eligibility standards for conservation funding and corridor designation.

If deemed viable, the city

would move toward a higher-level feasibility analysis and potential partnership agreements.

“They’ve got \$25 million that they need to spend on mitigation for the Split Oak,” Mayor Bryan Nelson said. “There’s an opportunity for us to get CFX dollars that need to go to these kinds of projects.”

Nelson added that the effort could complement the state’s Florida Forever land conservation program and potentially preserve hundreds of acres while expanding recreational access.

“It could be up to 600 acres of land that we will be able to put into conservation,” he said.

Sanchez noted that, if the project advances, the city would return to the commission with a more detailed concept and partnership framework.

FDOT commends Apopka for rapid response to signal failure

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 5 has awarded Apopka the FLASH Award for its rapid response to a dangerous signal failure at one of the city’s busiest intersections.

FDOT Traffic Operations Manager Tricia Ballard presented the recognition during the April 15 City Commission meeting, honoring public works and police personnel for their coordinated efforts at U.S. 441 and Park Avenue.

“This was somewhat an unprecedented event. You

don’t get too many intersections where most arms are corroded [and] had to be taken down immediately,” Ballard said, noting the city “stepped up to the challenge” and responded quickly to ensure public safety.

As part of the recognition, certificates were presented to several city staff members, including Police Chief Lovetta Quinn-Henry, police officer Daniel Colley, public works director/city engineer Vladimir Simonovski, streets and drainage manager Michael Ortiz, and traffic operations technician Juan Montealegre.

The award recognizes

agencies that demonstrate exceptional response to signal emergencies, such as structural failures requiring immediate action. In this case, FDOT identified severe corrosion and section loss at all four mast-arm bases at the intersection in a Dec. 18, 2025, report, prompting urgent action.

City staff responded the same day, assessing the site and working with FDOT to develop a plan. Their responsibilities included coordinating maintenance-of-traffic plans, establishing detours, managing lane closures and assisting with public notifications—efforts FDOT officials said were

critical given the intersection’s prominence in downtown Apopka.

A repair plan was approved Jan. 20, and work began Feb. 9 with overnight operations to limit disruptions. By Feb. 13, crews had removed the mast arms and completed repairs. A temporary wood-pole diagonal span was installed to maintain signal operations, and by Feb. 16, detection systems were converted to radar to align with the interim setup.

According to Ballard, the situation required extensive coordination due to underground utilities, traffic flow



File photo

A signal at the downtown intersection at Main Street and Park Avenue failed in December.

and visibility considerations. The city’s familiarity with local roads played a key role in developing effective detour routes and minimizing impacts to motorists.

The FDOT is now programming a full rebuild of the intersection’s signal infrastructure as part of its long-term work plan, Ballard said.

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Leslie was a lifelong resident of central Florida, growing up in Apopka. While attending AMHS Les was a band member and drum major.

He sang in the Glee Club, performed in annual "Show Boat" productions, sang in a Barber Shop Quartet and a country music band, and hosted Karaoke at many times in later years.

Les had a heart for others and followed our parents path by joining the Elks Club and becoming an officer. He often volunteered to sing at fund raisers for people in need.

Art, research, wildlife and biking were pass times he enjoyed. His pleasant and positive attitude shined during the last weeks of care needed for an aggressive cancer.

Leslie is predeceased by Father: Willard Cox, Mother: Margaret Cox, Sister: Donna Jackson, Nephew: Bobby Jackson and survived by Sister: Cynthia Rollins and Nephews: Danny and Ramon (Anne) Rollins and Niece: Paulette Guidroz.

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or those that work in that area, and then reporting back and providing information in an advisory capacity back to me and my team to see what needs to be changed.”

Nesta said his time as commissioner has enabled him to determine which issues are most pressing for his transition team to look into. As a result, Nesta said his team has several areas of focus, one of which is the city’s current budgeting process.

“Historically, in the previous administration, the commissioners, the public—they get three workshops close to the required time to submit our budget to basically dive through hundreds of pages of information and not really understand how it compared to last year, the year before that, and the year before that,” Nesta said. “So it was a lot of limited information to make very big decisions.”

Nesta envisions a process that is largely the “opposite” of that currently in place, which would allow “commissioners to have input up front on this process.”

“This budget workshop that we have at the end really turns into a mess, as we’ve seen in previous years, so it’s time to get everybody’s input up front and adjust from there,” Nesta said. “I think that’s going to be huge and build confidence in the residents and where their money is going—and it builds transparency.”

After his swearing-in on Tuesday, Nesta said he will continue to provide office hours for residents and plans to give each commissioner a dedicated space for similar meetings. He will also meet with various city staff to lay out the “new priorities” and build a culture of “autonomy” and “confidence building.”

“What I really enjoy about the majority, if not all, of our employees that are currently hired is that they have a passion for serving the



Photo by Dana O’Connor

Nick Nesta speaks at the March 18 City Commission meeting.

residents,” Nesta said, after saying he is not yet set on hiring plans for city staff. “Everyone has a really unique passion for what they’re doing, which I love, so it’s just making sure that we’re able to support them in that capacity. Because what’s cool now is that I’m able to talk to the employees and staff members of the city of Apopka on a deeper level, and so they’re able to really tell me a lot more than what maybe they didn’t feel comfortable telling me before.”

Nesta also emphasized the importance of meeting with sitting mayor Bryan Nelson to ensure “nothing falls through the cracks.” However, he believes that meeting will likely occur only after the transition of power, due to the application of the Government-in-the-Sunshine Law.

“We’re in a unique position where we’re still technically serving on the same board, and because Sunshine Law applies, you can’t just meet with another elected official on your same board and talk about everything you want,” Nesta said. “I want to make sure that we’re above reproach transitioning this. I don’t want to muddy the waters with an unnecessary meeting that may not be in compliance, so we’re timing it correctly.”

Nesta and Nelson have often disagreed on various issues while sitting on the dais, one of which was the placement of the public comment period at City Commission meetings. When Nelson moved public comment to the end of each meeting, Nesta livestreamed it on Facebook until it was brought back to the beginning.

“My goal is to have a workshop before every evening meeting for an hour, and basically it’s an opportunity for the commissioners to give out some ideas—something that’s on their agenda or something they want to accomplish,” he said. “Residents can come in and give their opinions, maybe give some of their advice, say what they want to have, and then that’s kind of the opportunity for us to have some dialogue. I think that’s what residents really are missing right now.”

Nesta will take his oath of office alongside commissioners-elect Sam Ruth and Yesenia “Jesi” Baron and current vice mayor Diane Velazquez at noon Tuesday. Community members are welcome to attend the ceremony at the Apopka Community Center, which will also host a cake cutting and reception shortly afterward.

Parkinson’s program launching in Apopka



Photo by Tim Brown

The Parkinson’s Initiative includes group exercise sessions that aim to improve movement.

Program to start this summer at Hope Clinic

Staff Reports

AdventHealth University’s (AHU)’s Hope Clinic is set to launch a wellness program for Parkinson’s disease patients this summer at 635 Campus Loop in Apopka.

“I am so grateful to now be able to offer an extended plan of care for Parkinson’s patients who may not be able to afford this type of therapy otherwise,” said Alessandra Swarowsky Martin, doctor of physical therapy associate professor at AHU.

According to an April 15 press release, Parkinson’s is an incurable movement disorder resulting in tremors, stiff muscles, and difficulties with balance. Martin’s Central Florida Parkinson’s Access Initiative will help alleviate symptoms through free physical and occupational therapy, exercise classes, bal-

ance and gait training, caregiver workshops, and aerobic fitness.

“Our hope is that adults with Parkinson’s disease will gain strength and endurance and improve their balance—all resulting in less falls, more confidence, and enhanced quality of life,” Martin said.

Funded by a grant from the Parkinson’s Association of Central Florida, the initiative will begin this summer with one-on-one clients before expanding to group services in September, providing each patient with a unique plan of care.

“We are so proud of Dr. Martin for her passion to provide hope and healing to Parkinson’s patients and their caregivers,” said Olga Melnik, Hope Clinic director. “When you see a Parkinson’s patient regain movement, it’s a powerful moment for everyone in the therapy room.”

Hope Clinic has provided free physical and occupational therapy to underinsured and uninsured patients since 2012.



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UF education center hosts agricultural conference in Apopka

Experts talk state, federal policy

By Sarah Merly
Reporter

The Mid-Florida Research and Education Center (MREC) hosted the 11th Annual UF/IFAS Florida Agricultural Policy Outlook Conference on April 16, drawing several dozens of guests from across the state.

“We are especially proud that for over a decade the annual Florida Agricultural Policy Outlook Conference has been a key avenue for sharing information with not only policymakers, but members of the agricultural industry, equipping them with the information needed to advocate for the needs of their industries and communities,” said Lisa House, chair of the UF/IFAS Department of Food and Resource Economics (FRE), in an April 3 press release.

The schedule included sessions on federal and state policy, international trade and the relationship between AI and agriculture. Between sessions, guests could view



Photo by Sarah Merly

Attendees listen to John Walt Boatwright, director of government affairs for the American Farm Bureau Federation.

UF student and faculty posters, which discussed topics ranging from saline hydroponics to agricultural conservation easements.

John Walt Boatwright, director of government affairs for the American Farm Bureau Federation, discussed the record-setting rise in costs for farmers.

“Production cost and input cost increases have been a major focal point over the past couple of years, where

we see nearly \$500 billion, which is a record from 2000 to 2026 that has just been extraordinary,” Boatwright said.

Boatwright credited the One Big Beautiful Bill Act as a step toward remedying the situation, despite not solving the problem on its own.

“You see overall estimated change—\$65 billion in new investments—through this One Big Beautiful Bill Act,” Boatwright

said. “However, it was not a normal farm bill process. They only chose to include certain aspects of the farm bill, and a lot of that were title and safety net changes.”

As a result, Boatwright emphasized the necessity of the Farm, Food, and National Security Act of 2026, or H.R. 7567, introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives on Feb. 13.

“What we believe is very valuable and important in the context of this proposal for the House Ag proposal for Florida—we see a lot of special crop research initiative enhancements in this bill, and of that, there’s a \$30 million carve-out for mechanization and automation research,” Boatwright said. “We see continued citrus disease research funding, which is so incredibly important to all of us here in the room, as we’ve all fought hard for continued funding to help with our citrus greening pressures.”

Jason Mahon, deputy secretary for the Florida Department of Commerce, expressed particular optimism for Florida’s agricultural

technology (agtech), noting its new inclusion as a “target industry” in the department’s target industry report. According to the report, Florida’s agtech industry has a GDP of \$77 billion and an average wage of \$128,862.

“[The agtech industry met] criteria that we needed to see to say that this has high impact. This is something that we want to support and be involved in,” Mahon said. “By 2028, we’re forecasting that we’ll have another — about 40,000 jobs in agtech in Florida.”

Mahon said that the Florida Department of Commerce’s goal is to increase in-state production of agricultural innovations.

“Ultimately, we see a lot of these companies are producing really great products, like the collars that are going on cows to measure the temperature and what’s going on in the dairy operation,” Mahon said. “But that collar is not made here—it wasn’t created here. And we really want for more companies to say, ‘Hey, I want to have a technological breakthrough, and I want to produce that in

the state.”

Mahon then commended the innovations arising out of UF/IFAS, which MREC director and professor Kirsten Pelz-Stelinski further commented upon after Mahon’s session.

“We’re really interested in continuing that support for the ornamental greenhouse industry, but also expanding more into protected and controlled environment agricultural systems and automated plant productions, as well as developing more urban agriculture,” Pelz-Stelinski said. “We are very unique in that we’re located right by Orlando, and so this offers us an opportunity to sort of partner and become part of that new footprint of maybe smaller focus commercial agriculture and also thinking about space-based agriculture, because of our location really close to Cape Canaveral.”

The MREC, located at 2725 S. Binion Rd., offers degree programs in geomatics and plant science and contains approximately 30,000 square feet of greenhouse space, according to Pelz-Stelinski.

PRAYER BREAKFAST

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ees in prayer.

Anderson, the 11th overall pick in the 1989 NBA Draft, played 10 seasons with the team from 1989 to 1999. During his tenure, he became the franchise’s all-time leader in several categories, including games played, field goals made and steals. He remains among the team’s top scorers and three-

point shooters.

Following his career as an athlete, Anderson has continued his involvement with the Magic as a community ambassador.

He has received multiple honors, including induction into the Orlando Magic Hall of Fame in 2014, the Chicagoland Sports Hall of Fame in 2016, and the Flor-

ida Sports Hall of Fame in 2019. He is also remembered for a key defensive play against Michael Jordan during the 1995 Eastern Conference Semifinals that helped propel Orlando to the NBA Finals.

The 2026 National Day of Prayer theme is “Glorify God among the nations—seeking him in all genera-

tions,” based on 1 Chronicles 16:24, according to the day of observance’s website.

The National Day of Prayer falls on the first Thursday of May, welcoming people of all faiths to pray for the nation. The first Continental Congress called for a National Day of Prayer in 1775, and Abraham Lincoln called for such a day in

1863, according to the National Day of Prayer website.

However, it was in 1952 when U.S. Congress codified the observance and President Harry S. Truman signed it into law. In 1988, the law was changed and President Ronald Reagan signed it, establishing the observance as the first Thursday of May annually.

The Apopka Mayor’s Prayer Breakfast will take place from 6:30–8:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 7, at the Apopka Community Center/VFW, 519 S. Central Ave.

Tickets for the breakfast and sponsorship opportunities are available online through the ACMA website.

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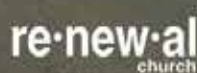
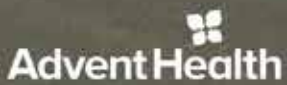
Nick Anderson joined the Orlando Magic as a community ambassador during the summer of 2006. In 2014, along with Pat Williams, Anderson was an inaugural inductee into the Orlando Magic Hall of Fame. He was also inducted into the Chicagoland Sports Hall of Fame and into the Florida Sports Hall of Fame. Anderson may best be remembered for one of the greatest moments in Magic history - stealing the ball from Michael Jordan during the closing seconds of Game 1 of the 1995 Eastern Conference Semifinals, allowing Orlando to win the contest and eventually move on to the NBA finals. Nick, who was a staple in the Orlando Community as a player for a decade, continues to take part in a variety of community outreach efforts.

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POLICE BEAT

APD issues 96 citations April 12-18

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From April 12 to 18, Apopka police received 1,659 calls for service, responded to 32 crashes, issued 96 citations, and made 32 arrests. Burglaries: two residences, two businesses.

Juveniles were charged with battery-touch or strike (domestic violence); probation violation-child in violation of imposed conditions; aggravated assault on specified personnel; resist officer with violence; out-of-county warrant.

The following adults were arrested and charged:

Israel Covarrubias Hernandez, 30, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Miguel Domingo Vasquez, 37, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Shonicka Denise Turner, 45, Apopka, larceny-other theft.

Britney Quintana, 26, Apopka, battery-cause bodily harm.

Bryan Mark Gilman, 30, general delivery, Apopka, resist officer-obstruct without violence; out-of-county warrant.

Bryant Edward Lyle, 34, 31 W. Celeste St., Apopka, possession of weapon or ammo by convicted Florida felon (X2).

Anthony Dwayne Dominguez, 59, 818 Schopke Lester Rd., Apopka, moving traffic violation-driving while license suspended, revocation equivalent status; other agency warrant.

Darren Andra Rowell, 62, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Alejandro Martin Cortes, 19, Apopka, aggravated battery on pregnant victim.

Andrew Joseph O'Brien, 24, 421 Brightwood Ave., Orange City, burglary-unoccupied structure unarmed; resist officer-obstruct without violence.

Phillip Laman Vogel, 24, 254 Agua Vista St., Debary, burglary-unoccupied structure unarmed; resist officer-obstruct without violence.

Eddie Andre Jackson, 24, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Cameron Isiah Martinez, 25, 242 Bayou Vista St., Debary, burglary-unoccupied structure unarmed; resist officer-obstruct without violence.

Robert Warner Artman, 42, 2728 Oak Dr., Apopka, larceny-other theft.

Todd Gordon Corter, 46, Apopka, battery-touch or strike.

Luis Force, 44, general delivery, Apopka, resist officer-obstruct without violence.

Maureen Garraud, 23, 728 Parkside

Pointe Blvd., Apopka, DUI-with person under 18 in vehicle; resist officer-obstruct without violence; moving traffic violation-operate motor vehicle without valid license 1st conviction; refusal submit DUI testing.

Luis Miguel Bautista Lopez, 26, 1320 Tindaro Dr., Apopka, failure to appear.

Christopher James Ellis, 39, 1191 Seburn Rd., Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription (cocaine).

Raymond Van Johnson, 47, 2217 Rockwood Dr., Apopka, larceny grand theft-property value \$750-\$5,000.

Rhonda M Vaught, 49, transient, Apopka, burglary-unoccupied conveyance unarmed; larceny grand theft-property value \$750-\$5,000.

Richard Alejandro Francis, 28, 5899 Barbados Way, West Palm, moving traffic violation-driving while license suspended, revocation equivalent status; probation violation.

Jose Ramon Candelario, 38, 494 Ashley Brooke Ct., Apopka, other agency warrant.

Charles Troy Jason Turner, 42, 5035 Firebush Dr., Apopka, family of-fense-civil writ of attach.

Jayvon Isiah Lee Holley, 18, Apopka,

battery-touch or strike; drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription.

Oliver Ludvin Velasquez-Alvarado, 21, 908 Georgia Ave., Apopka, out-of-county warrant.

Norman Luis Burgos, 35, 3717 Mohawk Dr., Zellwood, larceny-other theft.

Ashley Nicole Wasserman, 37, 1320 Woodfield Oak Dr., Apopka, larceny petit theft-merchandise/farm/transit \$100-\$750; out-of-county warrant.

Raidel Diaz, 37, 1422 Towhee St., Homestead, moving traffic violation-driving while license suspended, revocation equivalent status; larceny grand theft-property value \$750-\$5,000.

Patrick Michael Pierga, 42, 715 Ashford Oaks Dr. #10, Altamonte Springs, battery-touch or strike.

Gilberto Lazo-Sanchez, 50, 3254 W. 70th St. Unit 201, Hialeah, larceny grand theft-property value \$750-\$5,000 (X5); larceny petit theft-merchandise farm transit prior conviction; out-of-county warrant (X2).

Gary Donell King, 65, 220 M.A. Board St., Apopka, fraud-impersonate false ID given to law enforcement officers; larceny petit theft-merchandise farm transit 2+ prior conviction.

CHARTER SCHOOL

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tee in December as a roughly 91,000-square-foot, two-story charter school on about nine acres at the intersection of Plymouth-Sorrento and West Lester roads. Plans at the time included athletic fields and other on-site amenities.


Earlier review raised concerns related to drainage capacity, parking requirements and bicycle accommodations, prompting revisions that have been addressed through subsequent submittals.

The charter school project will now move forward to the construction phase and will not come before the City Commission for approval, according to Mayor Bryan Nelson.

"Schools are an automatic special exception in most of our zoning categories," he said in a phone interview. "There would have to be an extraordinary circumstance to stop it."

The charter school project is associated with Scott Woodrey, president of the Fort Lauderdale-based Red Apple Development.

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Apopka wins five-set thriller to advance to title game

Blue Darters upset Windermere

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

The Apopka Blue Darters volleyball team overcame a two-set collapse and dominated the deciding frame to upset Windermere, 3-2, Wednesday night in a Class 3A District 4 semifinal, advancing to the district championship for the second straight season.

“The energy came alive—they started playing

together,” head coach Brian Mater said. “I heard some of the seniors say, ‘I don’t want this to be our last game tonight.’ They came out, they fought and played as a team. When we play as a team, we’re unstoppable.”

Apopka (10-12) controlled the first set behind a balanced attack. Caden McGatha sparked an early run from the service line and added multiple kills, while Giovanni Lubin and Elzie Robinson contributed key swings at the net to build separation. The Darters main-

tained the lead throughout and closed it at 25-18.

The second set saw a great comeback unfold. Windermere (15-7) built a 19-13 lead, but Apopka responded with a 10-1 run fueled by great defense by McGatha and Renzo Polar along with huge kills from Lubin and Robinson. After the Wolverines tied the score late, Robinson delivered a clutch kill to secure a 25-23 win and a two-set advantage.

Windermere shifted momentum in the third set, capitalizing on Apopka errors and

controlling play at the net to pull away early. Despite late kills from McGatha and Lubin, the Wolverines closed out a 25-16 win to extend the match.

The fourth set followed a similar script. Windermere built a lead behind strong blocking and forced Apopka out of rhythm. After being down 22-14, the Darters made a late push highlighted by kills from McGatha and Robinson, but the Wolverines held on to win 25-19 and



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Blue Darters get hyped up after Cade McGatha’s serve pins the surface late in the fifth and final set.

VOLLEYBALL, B2

Wekiva flag steamrolls South Lake



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Kiamora Antrum gets her flags pulled on a rush up the field during Wekiva’s 15-0 win over South Lake on Monday.

Antrum and Bell power Mustangs through quarterfinal

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

The Wekiva flag football team delivered a complete performance at home Monday night, shutting out South Lake 15-0 in a district quarterfinal playoff game.

Behind a dominant defensive effort and a pair of second-half touchdown drives, the Mustangs controlled the game from start to finish, allowing the Eagles to cross midfield just once all night.

Head coach Alex Vazquez said getting healthier and refocused after the

regular season made a difference.

“We had some time to practice and get back to the drawing board to see what we had and what we didn’t have,” Vazquez said. “It also helps that I’m not down as many starters as I was a couple weeks ago. I got a couple girls back, and that was a big help.”

The game opened with South Lake showing early promise, driving deep into Wekiva territory before the Mustangs’ defense came up with a stop at the 15-yard line.

That would set the tone for the rest of the night.

Wekiva’s offense struggled to find rhythm in the opening quarter, managing only short gains from Kimani

Miller and a brief completion before being forced to punt.

But the Mustangs’ defense continued to respond.

After forcing a three-and-out, Wekiva put together its first sustained drive behind senior quarterback Kiamora Antrum. She connected with Jasmine Pooler for a short gain, then used her legs to move the chains with a nine-yard run past midfield.

Antrum kept the drive alive with a 17-yard scramble on second-and-long and later found Jayla Bernard across the middle to move Wekiva inside the red zone.

The Mustangs reached the 1-yard line on fourth down, but South Lake held firm, stopping Antrum just short to force a turnover on downs.

Moments later, Wekiva’s defense flipped the game: Antrum rushed off the edge and sacked the South Lake quarterback in the end zone for a safety, giving the Mustangs a 2-0 lead heading into halftime.

The Mustangs opened the second half with a balanced drive, highlighted by a 10-yard catch-and-run from Iyanna Bridgman-Johnson and a long scramble from Antrum on third and short.

Pooler added a diving catch along the right sideline to move the ball inside the 25.

On second down, Antrum found Makayla Bell across the middle. Bell turned upfield and outran the defense down the right sideline

WEKIVA, B3

Apopka season ends in district semifinal

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

Less than 24 hours after pulling off a hard-fought upset, the Apopka flag football team saw its postseason run come to an end Tuesday night at Seminole with a 25-0 loss in a district semifinal matchup.

Facing a Seminole team that entered at 10-1, Apopka (5-8) battled early and created multiple opportunities, but turnovers and pressure from Seminole’s defense ultimately swung the game.

Head coach Tanisha Wilson said the moment and circumstances played a role. “Ultimately, I think it was the pressure of the game. We’ve had a rough season, so sometimes not being able to bounce back from things, it gets to you,” Wilson said. “My leaders started slow, and when they stepped up in the third and fourth quarter, it was too late.”

Apopka entered the game with momentum after defeating Lake Mary, 6-0, in a quarterfinal game Monday night. In that win, Mikayla Wiggins connected with Berkley Shapiro for the lone touchdown, while Lexie McLean recorded three late sacks to seal the upset.

But against Seminole, the margin for error was much smaller.

The Blue Darter defense opened the game with a stop on fourth down, and the offense looked to capitalize. Apopka converted a short-yardage situation with Wiggins’ legs, but the drive stalled when Seminole’s Narelis Dealba intercepted a pass.

Seminole threatened



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Mikayla Wiggins makes a hard cut through the defense as she looks for a first down.

again on its next possession, but Apopka’s defense responded with pressure, including a key sack from McLean that forced a punt.

After another interception by Dealba late in the first quarter, Seminole took over deep in Apopka territory and eventually broke through. On fourth down near the goal line, the Seminoles executed a misdirection play that left Dealba uncovered in the flat for a touchdown, giving Seminole a 6-0 lead.

Later, with Seminole driving again inside the 5-yard line, Elyse Pringle came up with a crucial interception in the end zone to prevent another score and keep the game within reach.

Dealba picked off a deep pass intended for Wiggins, and another drive stalled despite a 14-yard

APOPKA, B2

Apopka wins on Teacher Impact Night, win streak hits 13

Blue Darters mercy Innovation, beat Oviedo at home

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

Apopka softball’s Teacher Impact Night brought appreciation and honor on April 17, as the Blue Darters honored educators who shaped their lives while also paying tribute to longtime teacher and coach Dr. Paul Howell, who died the previous night. They also honored Paul Peters, who died last summer.

Head coach Mike MacWithey said the night carried extra meaning beyond



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Ava Gonzalez lines an RBI single to left against Innovation.

the result.

“We recognized Dr. Paul Howell and Paul Peters and released balloons in their

memory,” he said. “Teachers don’t get enough thanks for what they do. It’s a thankless job sometimes, and it’s im-

portant to recognize the good things.”

A rare appearance from the school band—its first at a softball game in 40 years—set the tone for a fun night.

Behind an explosive offensive showing and another sharp outing in the circle, Apopka rolled past Innovation 15-0 in three innings on April 17, extending its winning streak to 11 games and improving to 17-4 on the season.

Apopka wasted no time taking control.

In the top of the first inning, pitcher Ava Millspaugh set the tone by retiring Innovation in order with a groundout, flyout and another groundout.

The Blue Darters’ offense followed with a seven-run outburst in the bottom half.

Leadoff hitter Shylah Pino opened with a bunt single, then stole second. Alicia Lopez drove her in with a double to open the scoring. After Taylor Smith drew a walk, Ford brought home another run with an RBI groundout. Ava Gonzalez added an RBI single through the infield, and Millspaugh helped her own cause with a hit.

Anamarie Lopez followed with an RBI single before Braylyn Pirillo worked a walk to load the bases.

That set the stage for sophomore Callie Sowers,

who delivered the biggest swing of the inning—a line-drive triple down the first-base line that cleared the bases and pushed the lead to 7-0.

In the second, the Blue Darters continued the onslaught.

Smith again got things started with a walk, then stole second and advanced to third on an errant throw. Ford reached on an outfield error, allowing Smith to score. Millspaugh singled, and Anamarie Lopez was hit by a pitch to load the bases.

With two outs, Sowers delivered again—this time driving a ball into the gap.

SOFTBALL, B2

Let's go fishin' and enjoy this Chamber of Commerce weather

Hello Folks,
We need to crank up our prayers for some rain. The lake levels are droppin', our yards are dryin' up, and the plants are in dire need of some water. So, please... keep on prayin' for some rain!

The fishin' is still doin' pretty good in our area. John at Bitters B&T reports that folks are still catchin' plenty of specks and catfish under the 417 bridge in Lake Jesup. Most of those fish are bein' caught on minners.

The shellcrackers are on the beds in Lake Monroe, but it's a little tough gettin' to 'em with the water level bein' so low.



GOIN' FISHIN'

Jim Keck
Correspondent

The bass are still schoolin' in the St. Johns River between Astor and Hontoon Island. Topwater baits at first light and then lipless crankbaits durin' the day. Some good size bass are bein' caught when the schoolers come up to feed on the baitfish.

I wanted to mention that

Highland Park Fish Camp in Deland will be hostin' a free Kids Fishing Rodeo on Saturday, May 30. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and the tournament runs 9-11 a.m. Each child receives a free rod and reel provided by ACC Crappie Stix. This event is for kids 12 years old and under. Online pre-registration is required, and the child must have a parent or guardian present during the event.

The fishin' is doin' okay in Johns Lake. On the Wednesday Night Shootout, there were 24 boats in the derby. Congrats to Hunter-Ray and Collin Britten on their win with 3 bass that hit

the scales at 11.15 pounds. They also had Big Bass for the night that weighed 7.90 pounds.

The bass fishin' is still goin' strong in Lake Fairview. The guys from the Maitland Chain of Lakes have been holdin' their Wednesday night tournaments there, and last week they had 15 boats in their tournament. Congrats to Conner and Bryce on their win. They had 3 bass that hit the scales at 15.46 pounds. They also caught the biggest bass that weighed in at 6.04 pounds.

The bass fishin' on the Kissimmee Chain is doin' good, and West Lake is pro-

ducin' some nice stringers of bass. Some big bass are bein' caught on shiners.

Congrats go out to John Kremer and Eric Panziro-ni on their top ten finish on the Harris Chain a couple of weeks ago. John came in 6th place, and Eric came in at 8th place. They were fishin' the MLF Phoenix Bass Fishing League, Gator Division. There were 128 anglers fishin' the tournament. Congrats again, guys.

The bass fishin' is prosperin' on the Butler chain. Most anglers are catchin' anywhere from 20 to 30 bass per trip. You will catch plenty of keeper size bass with a good

one thrown in every once in a while. Most of the bass out there are bein' caught on chatterbaits, topwater baits, and lipless crankbaits. Look for schoolers comin' up and feedin on the baitfish. Also, keep an eye out for the divin' birds. They'll be feedin' on the baitfish, as well.

So, all in all, the fishin' this week should still be thrivin', and I hope y'all get a chance to do some fishin' this week or over the weekend.

I really hope to see you on the water pretty soon.

Tip of the week: Go Fishin'!
SAVE A FEW AND GOOD LUCK!

VOLLEYBALL

FROM B1

force a deciding set.

Facing elimination, Apopka delivered its most complete performance of the night.

The Darters opened the fifth set on an 8-0 run behind dominant net play from Lubin and McGatha, who combined for multiple early blocks and kills. As the benches and crowd got louder, Robinson and McGatha added pinpoint kills to give them a 10-4 advantage.

After Windermere trimmed the deficit, Apopka responded with consistent defense to offense and strong sets from White. After two Windermere points, Ian Cott-

man flew in out of nowhere to smash a set from White, sending the Darters to the district final.

McGatha led Apopka with 20 kills and four blocks, consistently delivering in huge moments. Robinson added 11 kills and five blocks, while Lubin contributed eight kills and five blocks as constant forces along the net.

With the win, Apopka advances to face West Orange (14-4) in the district championship.

Mater believes his team's growth late in the season has positioned them for another title run.

"We dropped some matches last week that we don't think we should have lost, and it hit home," he said. "They came back with more energy, working together and talking more. I see that energy carrying into West Orange."

After surviving a five-set battle on the road, the Blue Darters now head to the district final with a chance to repeat as champions. They were scheduled to face West Orange (14-4) on the road Thursday night after press time. Look for coverage at theapokkachief.com.

APOPKA

FROM B1

scramble from Wiggins and a penalty that briefly moved Apopka into Seminole territory.

After Apopka punted to start the third quarter, Seminole capitalized on a broken play. A long snap and subsequent penalty pushed the Seminoles back into a third-and-41. In a shocking play, Jahliyah Tennon caught a short pass over the middle, then broke free from multiple defenders and raced down the sideline for a long touchdown, extending Seminole's lead to 12-0.

Apopka attempted to respond behind quarterback Anabelle Martin, who helped

move the ball into Seminole territory, including a contested leaping catch by Wiggins.

However, another turnover proved costly.

A pass downfield was intercepted by Seminole's Miyauna Ross, who returned it for a touchdown, pushing the lead to 18-0 and shifting full momentum to the home side.

Seminole added another score in the fourth quarter to make it 25-0.

Apopka's final push came late, as Martin connected with Shapiro on back-to-back 20-yard completions to move the Blue Darters near the red zone. But Seminole's defense held

firm, preserving the shutout.

"We saw some things we were able to adjust to earlier in the season, but tonight the speed of their rushers put a lot of pressure on our quarterbacks," Wilson said. "It slowed their decision-making down. In the end, we got close a few times, but we just couldn't punch it in."

Wilson said her team will use the loss as fuel next year.

"I think after they've seen how it can go and not liking the outcome, they're going to come back hungry," Wilson said. "They'll be ready to continue to develop and get better."

SOFTBALL

FROM B1

The ball rolled to the wall after getting past the outfielder, and Sowers never slowed down, circling the bases for an inside-the-park home run as all three runners scored ahead of her.

The play capped a remarkable two-at-bat stretch for Sowers, who accounted for seven RBIs and extended the lead to 12-0.

Apopka turned to Mia

Aeschilman in the circle in the third inning, and she quickly retired the side with two groundouts and a fly ball.

The Blue Darters then ended the game early with another offensive burst.

Smith ripped a worm burner past shortstop and stole second once more, while Ford drew a walk and Gonzalez added a base hit. Millsbaugh's ground ball resulted in a force

out, but Smith scored on the play to make it 13-0.

Pirillo delivered the final blow, ripping a shot down the third-base line to drive in two runs and secure the 15-0, mercy-rule victory.

The win marked Apopka's 11th straight, matching last season's longest streak at the end of the year.

According to MacWith-ey, the team's key to success

has been built on a combination of strong pitching, improved hitting and overall cohesion.

"Our pitching has been pretty point on," he said. "We've done really well there. We've worked more on hitting, communication, defensive details—it's just all been clicking. We just hope it stays together and we keep doing what we're doing."

Apopka kept their momentum at home against Oviedo on Tuesday night, winning 7-4 to continue their win streak. They fought through three scoreless innings before Ford and Gonzalez drilled hits into the outfield to score runners in the fourth. Smith added a two RBI single and Gonzalez brought another run in during the fifth.

Aeschilman breezed

through three hitless innings before Oviedo got the bats going in the sixth. They were able to fend off a late surge to win 7-4.

The Blue Darters faced Spruce Creek (15-6) Wednesday and won 16-10, finishing their season with 13 straight wins. They will host the Class 7A District 3 tournament April 27-30.

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Wekiva Mustangs shine at district track meet

By Vinnie Cammarano

The Wekiva track and field team delivered a strong showing Tuesday afternoon at the Class 4A District 2 meet, highlighted by multiple top-three finishes and a list of regional qualifiers.

Competing against nine schools, the Mustangs' girls team scored 106 points to finish third overall, while the boys placed fifth. They had standout performances across sprints, relays and field events.

Leading the way for Wekiva was sophomore Te'Ariel Harley, who turned in one of the most dominant performances of the meet.

Harley captured first place in both hurdle events, winning the 100-meter hurdles in 14.74 seconds—a commanding 1.65 seconds

ahead of second place—and the 400-meter hurdles in 1:05.39, finishing more than three seconds clear of the field. She is ranked among the top athletes in the district and Class 4A and holds the school record in both hurdle events.

Wekiva's sprinters also delivered in multiple events.

Senior Soriah Hicks, the school record holder in both the 100- and 200-meter dashes, placed second in each event, running 12.44 in the 100 and 25.00 in the 200. Freshman Akira Wise followed closely behind, finishing third in both races with times of 12.66 and 25.33, respectively.

The Mustangs' depth showed in those events as well, with junior Nevaeh Medley and sophomore Da'Navia Patterson scor-



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Tamea Foster glides through the air and places third in the girls long jump.

ing points in the 100-meter dash. Medley and Senior Xia Scott placed among the

top six in the 200.

The Mustangs also saw strong performances in the 400-meter dash. Scott placed third in the girls race with a time of 59.31, while Tamea Foster and Patterson added points with fifth- and seventh-place finishes. Sophomore Khai Orr placed sixth in the boys 400, clocking in at 50.38.

Junior Bakary Manley emerged as one of the meet's top performers.

Manley captured first place in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.07, then followed it up with another victory in the 200-meter dash, finishing in 22.05. Teammate Jakarri Bellamy Jr. added to the strong showing, placing seventh in the 100 (11.42) and second in the 200 (22.53). Wekiva's relay teams continued their season-

long success.

The girls 4x100-meter relay team of Wise, Harley, Medley and Hicks remained unbeaten, winning the event in 47.09. The group, which finished second in the state last season, has not lost a race this year and will enter regionals as a top contender.

The boys 4x100 relay team of Dominique Walker, Orr, Manley and Bellamy Jr. also took first place, finishing in 42.08.

In the 4x400 relays, the girls team of Soriah Hicks, Medley, Ceebrea Hicks and Wise added another district title with a winning time of 3:57.82, while the boys team placed fifth in 3:33.22.

In the girls long jump, junior Tamea Foster and sophomore Da'Navia Patterson placed third and fourth out of 22 competitors with jumps of

5.31 meters and 5.09 meters.

Senior Kimbilly Esteril contributed with an eighth-place finish in the boys long jump (6.46 meters) and a fifth-place mark in the high jump (1.72 meters). Junior Ya'Terrius Jackson placed sixth in the discus with a throw of 34.20 meters, while junior Khyly Jones finished seventh for the girls at 24.78 meters.

Besides both relay teams, seven athletes secured an individual bid to regionals. Hicks, Harley, Wise, Scott, Manley and Bellamy Jr. all qualified for their racing events. Esteril and Foster joined the qualifying party as the anchors in the high jump and long jump events.

The Class 4A regional meet will take place on May 2 at Seminole.

WEKIVA FROM B1

for a touchdown, extending the lead to 8-0.

After South Lake managed a couple of first downs on its next possession, the Eagles appeared to be building momentum near midfield. But Bell swooped in front of a pass, securing an interception and returning it 25 yards to set up Wekiva deep in South Lake territory.

"Outstanding athlete and player," Vazquez said of Bell. "She sees the field very well. She understands the game plan and the adjustments we need to make. It's great to have a player like that because you can rely heavily on her on both offense and defense."

Antrum quickly capital-

ized on the turnover.

On a broken play, she scrambled left, reversed direction and delivered a strike on the run to Paris Blackwood in the corner of the end zone. She converted the extra point with a quick pass to Bernard, pushing the lead to 15-0 late in the third quarter.

From there, the Mustangs' defense slammed the door. Kimani Miller nearly added an interception on the next drive, forcing a punt, and Bell later recorded her second interception of the night after tipping a pass to herself and returning it to midfield.

Wekiva leaned on its ground game and short passes to drain the clock, sealing

the shutout.

Bell finished with a standout all-around performance, recording a touchdown catch, over 40 receiving yards and two interceptions.

"What worked was just staying in my coverage and listening to my coaches," Bell said. "It was actually my first game playing linebacker today, so just being coachable and adjusting to the offense helped a lot."

Antrum also delivered a complete performance, accounting for more than 100 total yards while throwing two touchdown passes. She added two sacks and the game-changing safety on de-

fense.

With the win, Wekiva advanced to face undefeated powerhouse Buchholz (12-0) in the district semifinals.

"We've got to do what we do best and keep doing the simple things right," Vazquez said. "Little things make big things happen—that's been our mantra all season."

Vazquez called Buchholz "a different beast," and that proved itself the very next night.

The game was supposed to be played at Buchholz, but it moved to Wekiva due to wildfires. The home-field advantage didn't help the Mustangs, as the Bobcats shut them out 18-0 to end their run.



Photo by Vinnie Cammarano

Paris Blackwood and Kiamora Antrum celebrate a score.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON FINAL CERTIFICATION ON ASSESSMENT ROLLS TO IMPOSE THE UNIFORM METHOD FOR COLLECTION OF NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Notice is hereby given that the City Council for the City of Apopka will conduct a public hearing and subsequently adopt a resolution to Certify the Street Lighting and Neighborhood Improvement Non-Ad Valorem Final Assessment Roll for the imposition of annual non-ad valorem special assessments for the specified purposes on the dates and times as follows in the areas designated and specified herein. Each individual non-ad valorem special assessment shall be billed on the Orange County Annual Tax Bill for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2026, and annually thereafter for the collection of all associated costs and expenses applied to the designated areas as applicable.

The public hearing for Non-Ad Valorem Special Assessments shall be before the City Council of the City of Apopka in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida, for the purpose of receiving public comment on the imposition of the assessments, as follows:

Development/Sub-Division or District Name	1 st Reading Final Certification	2 nd Reading Final Certification
Dream Lake (Street Lighting District)	May 6th 2026 at 1:30 P.M.	May 15th 2026 at 7:00 P.M.

Florida Statutes (F.S.) require us to advise you that a failure to pay these special assessments will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property which may result in the loss of title, F.S. 197.3632(4)(b).

Notification of the Assessment has been provided by use of the Orange County TRIM (Truth in Millage) notice.

The non-ad valorem special assessments are for the reasonable and necessary costs and expenses associated with the services being provided.

The Special Assessment Districts may only apply to the Designated District Areas, identified herein, where the City Council at the request of the developer intends to impose a special assessment for the purpose of providing developmental street lighting for the safety and welfare of the residents whom reside within the designated district area.

The entire cost of the assessment shall be entirely apportioned to the property owners within the district receiving the benefited service. The assessment will continue to be billed by the Orange County Tax Collector on the annual Orange County Tax Bill.

All affected property owners have the right to appear at the public hearing and the right to file a written objection with the City Clerk's Office within 20 days of the publication of this notice. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk's Office at 407-703-1794 at least three (3) days prior to the date of the hearing.

The following table designates the area where the various non-ad valorem special assessments will apply and the annual assessment amount per parcel.

Development/Sub-Division Name (Residential Lot)	Resolution Number	Annual Amount
Dream Lake (Street Lighting District)	2026-24	\$118.42

Copies of the Resolutions detailing the legal description of the areas to be assessed are available for inspection at the City Clerk's Office in City Hall, located at 120 E. Main Street, Apopka Florida, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

If you have any questions regarding the assessments, please contact the Special Assessments Coordinator at 407-703-1700, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

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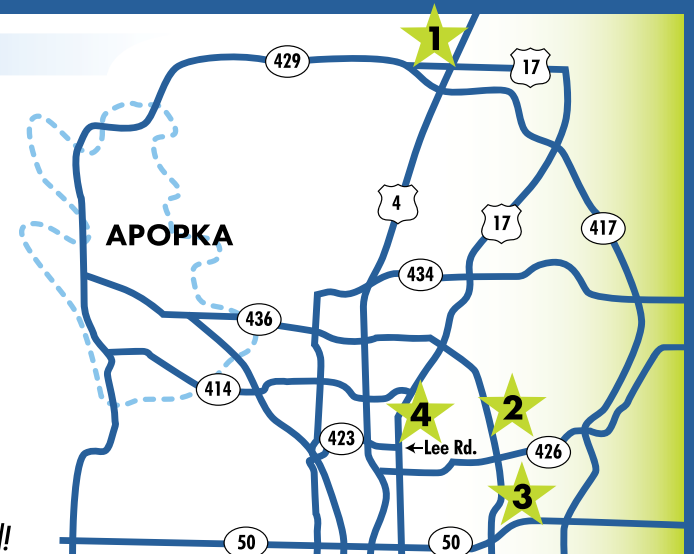
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

To submit an event, you can email them to news@theapokkachief.com.

Friday, April 24

Silent Piano Concert

6 p.m. at 195 N. Rosalind Ave., Orlando

A live-to-headphones piano concert by composer Murray Hiday at Lake Eola Park.

Opening Reception: a loom, a fence, a wire, a thread

6:30 p.m. at 210 W. Packwood Ave., Maitland

An opening reception for a contemporary art exhibition featuring works by Mår Martínez, with music, food, and a cash bar.

The Shift

7 p.m. at 3241 Old Winter Garden Road, Suite 22, Orlando

An event focused on exploring new perspectives and inspiring personal growth.

Sounds of Wekiva

7 p.m. at 1014 Miami Springs Drive, Longwood

A riverside live music performance featuring local artists.

Chambers DesLauriers

7 p.m. at 445 S. Magnolia Ave., Orlando

Blues, rock, and soul performance by Annika Chambers and Paul DesLauriers.

Stand-up comedy

7 p.m. at 9101 International Drive, Suite 2310, Orlando

Performance by Lavell Crawford.

Dance Party

8 p.m. at 6700 Aloma Ave., Winter Park

A dance party featuring One Direction hits.

Saturday, April 25

Art & Foliage Festival

9 a.m. at 10 S. Forest Ave., Apopka

A free, family-friendly two-day festival featuring art, plants, and vendors at Kit Land Nelson Park, continuing April 26.

61st Annual Daylily Show

10:30 a.m. at 710 E. Rollins St., Orlando

A showcase celebrating daylily flowers with displays and plants.

In-Store Author Signing

11 a.m. at 3018 Corrine Drive, Orlando

Author Kara Kendrick meets readers and signs copies of her books.

Family Day

11 a.m. at 2416 N. Mills Ave., Orlando

A free, space-themed family event featuring art activities, performances, storytelling, and hands-on experiences.

7th Annual Women's Luncheon: Yes, You Sis!

Noon at 445 W. 13th St., Apopka

A luncheon celebrating strength, resilience, and purpose.

Crawfish Festival

1 p.m. at 9101 International Drive, Suite 2310, Orlando

A festival featuring all-you-can-eat crawfish, live music, and drinks.

Sip & Paint: Cake Painting Experience

3:30 p.m. at 8143 S. John Young Parkway, Orlando

A hands-on class where participants paint and decorate their own cake.

Live Orchestra

4 p.m. at 142 E. Jackson St., Orlando



File photo by Teresa Sargeant

The Art & Foliage Festival takes place April 25–26 at Kit Land Nelson Park in Apopka, featuring art, plants and vendors in a free, family-friendly setting.

A collaborative performance featuring student musicians alongside members of the Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra.

D.O.P.E. Poetry

5 p.m. at 1023 W. Colonial Drive, Orlando

A poetry event inspired by 90s culture and music.

Spring Open House

6 p.m. at 1000 Arlington St., Orlando

An open house featuring artist studios, exhibitions, live music, and refreshments.

Line Dancing

6:30 p.m. at 40 E. 5th St., Apopka

A beginner-friendly line dancing.

Sunday, April 26

Skate Day

10:30 a.m. at 866 S. Goldenrod Road, Orlando

A skating event featuring gospel music.

Book Nook Bookshelf

11 a.m. at 805 W. Central Blvd., Orlando

A hands-on crafting session inspired by books and reading.

Card Trading Show

11 a.m. at 5250 International Drive, Orlando

A collectibles event featuring trading cards, vendors, giveaways, and raffles.

Seniors First High Tea & Hats Event

1 p.m. at 255 S. Orange Ave., Suite 1800, Orlando

An annual fundraiser featuring tea, raffles, auctions, and contests supporting programs for seniors.

Yamandú Costa

7:30 p.m. at 142 E. Jackson St., Orlando

A live performance by Brazilian acoustic guitarist Yamandú Costa.

Monday, April 27

Secrets of the Forest

10 a.m. at 841 N. Park Ave., Winter Park

A screening of the documentary Secrets of the Forest, following scientists studying forest ecosystems and climate impact.

Will's Pub Spelling Bee Competition

7 p.m. at 1042 N. Mills Ave., Orlando

An amateur spelling bee competition with cash prizes and audience participation.

Tuesday, April 28

Oyster Mushrooms

10 a.m. at 6021 Conway Road, Orlando

A hands-on class covering mushroom basics, growth, and edible uses, with participants creating their own grow bag to take home.

Wine Blending Workshop

6 p.m. at 39 S. Magnolia Ave., Orlando

A hands-on workshop where participants taste, blend, and bottle their own custom wine.

Coming up at the

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Spring concert series

MAY 2

The Fire Rhythms Band
- 5 p.m.-7 p.m. (Free)

MAY 16

The Dave Matthews Tribute Band
- 5 p.m.-7 p.m. (Free)

MAY 23

R&B Picnic Fest with Ball Greezy & Sunshine Anderson
- 4 p.m.-10 p.m. (Ticketed Event)

MAY 30

Marcus King Band
- 6 p.m.-10 p.m. (Ticketed Event)

3710 Jason Dwellley Parkway

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2026-CP-1135
IN RE: ESTATE OF JOHNNIE LEE BRYANT, SR.

Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of JOHNNIE LEE BRYANT, SR., deceased, whose date of death was March 7, 2026 is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 North Orange Avenue, Room 335, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

The personal representative has no duty to discover whether any property held at the time of the decedent's death by the decedent or the decedent's surviving spouse is property to which the Florida Uniform Disposition of Community Property Rights at Death Act as described in ss. 732.216732-228, Florida Statutes, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes. The written demand must be filed with the clerk.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this notice: April 24, 2026
Personal Representative: MIRIAM ANITA BRYANT
6116 Rhythm Circle
Orlando, Florida 32808
Attorney for personal representative: NORBERTO S. KATZ, ESQUIRE
Florida Bar No.: 0399086
931 Thistle Lane
Maitland, Florida 32751
Telephone: (407) 435-0252
E-Mail: norbertokatzlaw@gmail.com
April 24, May 1, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
File No. 2026-CP-000848-0
Probate Division

IN RE: ESTATE OF JAMES WALLACE SPRADLING II
Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the Estate of JAMES WALLACE SPRADLING II, deceased on January 11, 2026, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Orlando, FL

32801. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against Decedent's Estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the Decedent and other persons having claims or demands against Decedent's Estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this notice is April 17, 2026.
Natalie M. Spradling
NATALIE M. SPRADLING
3975 Ventura Place
Orlando FL 32822
Hallee L. Zobel
Attorney
Florida Bar Number: 0748218
StuderZobel Law
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Secondary E-Mail: paral@studerzobellaw.com
April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2026-CP-000446-0
PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE ESTATE OF: JACQUALYN MCADAMS,
Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:

The administration of the estate of JACQUALYN MCADAMS, deceased, File Number 2026-CP-000446-0, is pending in the Circuit Court for ORANGE County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is ORANGE County Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Ave, Orlando, FL 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must

file their claim with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is April 17, 2026.
ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
DATED this 9th day of April, 2026
Personal Representative:
JANE HAMMOND
303 Tylertown Road
Clarksville, TN 37040
Attorney for Personal Representative:
S. Whitney Ellis, Esquire
Fla. Bar No. 0105577
Smith Thompson Shaw
Colon & Power, P.A.
PO Box 541614
Orlando, FL 32854,
Phone: (407) 232-9380;
Email: whitneye@stslaw.com
Attorney for Petitioner
April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2025-CA-007518-0
DIV NO.: 36

MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent,
Plaintiff,
vs.
PAUL J. CROWTHER, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT V TO: FLAVIO A. MENEGHETTI
RUA BELIZE N 9
LONDRINA,
PR 86050-200
BRAZIL

MARIA CRISTINA MENEGHETTI
RUA BELIZE N 9
LONDRINA,
PR 86050-200
BRAZIL
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 13, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007518-0, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the

Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT V
Unit Week 03 in Unit 7122, in CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 4263 at Page 0404 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof.

At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 28th day MAY, 2026 online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 14, 2026.
DATED April 14, 2026
/s/ Edward M. Fitzgerald
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #110522.1700
MRHC #ORANGE
April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2024-CA-001095-0
DIV NO.: 39

MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
DARREL VION WALRAVEN, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT III TO: GEORGE R. HORTON
1837 BAYWOOD DRIVE
SALT LAKE CITY UT 84117

JOAN R. DEBRY, DECEASED
1837 BAYWOOD DRIVE
SALT LAKE CITY UT 84117
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 14, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001095-0, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT III
8 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: Z49318 & Z49319 & Z49320 & Z49321 & Z49322 & Z49323 & Z49324 & Z49325) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 2000 Points

(250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2021/January 01, 2021 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on MAY 28, 2026, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 14, 2026.
DATED this 14th day of April, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

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MORI #ORANGE
April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-005437-0
DIV NO.: 33

MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
PAUL SEWELL, et al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT II TO: JUANITA MARIA SAMPER
CRA. 52 #132-167
CASA 13
ALTOS DE VILLA
CAMPESTRE
BARRANQUILLA,
ATLANTICO 081007
COLOMBIA
JOSE LUIS ROMERO
CRA. 52 #132-167
CASA 13
ALTOS DE VILLA

CAMPESTRE BARRANQUILLA, ATLANTICO 081007 COLOMBIA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 15, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-005437-0, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT II
Unit Week 26 in Unit 1531, in HAO CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 6017 at Page 0143 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof.

At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at hour of 11:00 a.m., on the 13th day of MAY, 2026, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 16, 2026.
DATED this 16th day of April, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ.
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP

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OUR FILE #110518.2229
MORI #ORANGE
April 24, May 1, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-005437-0
DIV NO.: 33

MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.
Plaintiff,
vs.
PAUL SEWELL, et al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT I TO: PAUL SEWELL
504 CENTRAL AVE
REISTERSTOWN,
MD 21136-1857
SHARON SEWELL
504 CENTRAL AVE
REISTERSTOWN,
MD 21136-1857
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 15, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No.

2025-CA-005437-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT I
Unit Week 41*X in Unit 3065, in HAO CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 6017 at Page 0143 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof.

At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of **11:00 a.m., on the 13th day of MAY, 2026**, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 16, 2026. DATED this 16th day of April, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQ. FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #110518.2228 MORI #ORANGE April 24, May 1, 2026

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:
BARTLETT TOWING, INC gives notice that on **05/15/2026** at 08:30 AM the following vehicle(s) may be sold by public sale at 2252 APOPKA BLVD, STE B, APOPKA, FL 32703 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION CASE NUMBER: 2021-CP-000378-O DIVISION Probate IN RE: ROBERT BENJAMIN NASIATKA DECEASED NOTICE OF UNCLAIMED PROBATE FUNDS DEPOSITED IN COURT REGISTRY Notice is given that, pursuant to section 733.816, Florida Statutes, unclaimed probate funds of 84,702.50 are being held for CYNTHIA RUHTNER in the registry of court, deposited per order of 10/13/2025 in the Estate of ROBERT BENJAMIN NASIATKA, deceased; case number 2021-CP-000378-O. The Clerk of the Circuit Court will deposit these funds with the Department of Financial Services no less than six months after the posting or the first publication of this notice, after deducting fees and any costs of publication. Any person or entity entitled to such funds may obtain them by compliance with applicable provisions of Section 733.816, Fla. Stat., within 10 years from the date of deposit with the Department of Financial Services, after which time the funds will escheat to the state. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of this Court, on this the 24th day of March, 2026. Tiffany Moore Russell Orange County Clerk of the Circuit Court 425 N. Orange Ave., Ste. 335 Orlando, FL 32801 By: Mayra I Cruz Deputy Clerk CIRCUIT COURT SEAL March 27, April 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2026-CA-001028-O DIV NO.: 37 MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of GRANDE VISTA OF ORLANDO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs. CYNTHIA D. NEWTON, et. al., Defendants. NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT II TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN: TO: MARTA I. SWANSON 14524 BYWOOD AVENUE BATON ROUGE, LA 70819 The above named Defendants are not known to be dead or alive and, if dead, the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, or other claimants, by, through under or against said Defendant and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described below. **YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** of the institution of the above-styled foreclosure proceedings by the Plaintiff, MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a lien and for other relief relative to the following described property:
COUNT II
Unit Week 33 in Unit 8145, in GRANDE VISTA CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 5114 at Page 1488 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof. AND you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to the complaint, upon EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQUIRE, Holland & Knight LLP, 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600, Orlando, Florida 32801, attorneys for the Plaintiff, on or before thirty (30) days from the first day of publication herein and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. DATED on this 14th day of April, 2026. Tiffany Moore Russell Clerk of the Court By: /s/ Stanley Green Deputy Clerk Suite 310 Orlando, Florida 32801 CIRCUIT COURT SEAL INFORMED COPY TO: EDWARD M. FITZGERALD HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600 Orlando, Florida 32801 Ph. (407) 244-5198 ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to

participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County Courthouse, 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. HK#110523.2019/GV242 April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2024-CA-001095-O DIV NO.: 39 MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. DARREL VION WALRAVEN, et al., Defendants. NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT II TO: HARVEY T. SCALES 6770 RAVINES CT STONE MOUNTAIN, GA 30087-4700 LINDA D. SCALES, DECEASED 6770 RAVINES CT STONE MOUNTAIN, GA 30087-4700 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 14, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001095-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT II
 4 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: Z40219 & Z40220 & Z40221 & Z40222) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2021 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on MAY 28, 2026, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 14, 2026. DATED this 14th day of April, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #126435.9003 MORI #ORANGE April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NUMBER: 2026-CA-003808-O DIVISION NUMBER: 48 IN RE: FORFEITURE OF A 2014 MASERATI VIN: ZAM57XSASE1097550 NOTICE OF FORFEITURE COMPLAINT TO: MAURICE HOWARD 240 W. 12TH ST. APOPKA, FL 32703 and all others who claim an interest in A 2014 MASERATI VIN: ZAM57XSASE1097550, which was seized on or about the 27th day March 2026, at or near 1350 E. 10th St., Orange County, Florida. Said property is in the custody of the Sheriff of Orange County. A Complaint for forfeiture has been filed in the above-styled Court. I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Notice is being served pursuant to the notice provisions of Florida Statutes 932.701-707, this 9th day of April 2026. /s/ Jose C. Campa Jose C. Campa Assistant General Counsel Florida Bar No 105781 Orange County Sheriff's Office Legal Services P.O. Box 1440 Orlando, FL 32802 (407) 254-7170 jose.campa@ocsofl.com April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION CASE NUMBER: 2022-GA-000033-O DIVISION: Guardianship IN RE: GUARDIANSHIP OF CHARLES PATTERSON NOTICE OF DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED GUARDIANSHIP FUNDS DEPOSITED IN COURT REGISTRY Notice is given that, pursuant to section 744.534, Florida Statutes, unclaimed guardianship funds from the following cause remain on deposit in the registry of court: Guardianship of: CHARLES PATTERSON, Person Subject to Guardianship Case Number 2022-GA-000033-O, \$1,238.87 (less the cost of publication); CHARLES PATTERSON, as Guardian, deposited these funds per JUDGE HEATHER L HIGBEE entered on 12/18/2025, on behalf of CHARLES PATTERSON. The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall deposit these funds with the State Treasurer no less than six months after the first publication of this notice, after deducting fees and any costs of publication. Within 10 years from the date of such deposit with the State Treasurer, any person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity entitled to such funds may obtain same by order of court and compliance with other applicable provisions of section 744.534, Florida Statutes. All funds deposited with the State Treasurer not claimed within 10 years from the date of deposit shall escheat to the state for the benefit of the State School Fund. Dated: on this the 24th day of March, 2026 Tiffany Moore Russell Orange County Clerk of the Circuit Court 425 N. Orange Ave., Ste. 335 Orlando, FL 32801 By: Mayra I Cruz Deputy Clerk CIRCUIT COURT SEAL March 27, April 24, 2026

Fund. Dated: on this the 24th day of March, 2026 Tiffany Moore Russell Orange County Clerk of the Circuit Court 425 N. Orange Ave., Ste. 335 Orlando, FL 32801 By: Mayra I Cruz Deputy Clerk CIRCUIT COURT SEAL March 27, April 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION CASE NUMBER: 2021-GA-000007-O DIVISION: Guardianship IN RE: GUARDIANSHIP OF CAROLYN E MERCADO NOTICE OF DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED GUARDIANSHIP FUNDS DEPOSITED IN COURT REGISTRY Notice is given that, pursuant to section 744.534, Florida Statutes, unclaimed guardianship funds from the following cause remain on deposit in the registry of court: Guardianship of: CAROLYN E MERCADO, Person Subject to Guardianship Case Number 2021-GA-000007-O, \$41,741.33 (less the cost of publication); CAROLYN E MERCADO, as Guardian, deposited these funds per JUDGE MIKE MURPHY entered on 07/18/2025, on behalf of CAROLYN E MERCADO. The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall deposit these funds with the State Treasurer no less than six months after the first publication of this notice, after deducting fees and any costs of publication. Within 10 years from the date of such deposit with the State Treasurer, any person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity entitled to such funds may obtain same by order of court and compliance with other applicable provisions of section 744.534, Florida Statutes. All funds deposited with the State Treasurer not claimed within 10 years from the date of deposit shall escheat to the state for the benefit of the State School Fund. Dated: on this the 24th day of March, 2026 Tiffany Moore Russell Orange County Clerk of the Circuit Court 425 N. Orange Ave., Ste. 335 Orlando, FL 32801 By: Mayra I Cruz Deputy Clerk CIRCUIT COURT SEAL March 27, April 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2024-CA-001095-O DIV NO.: 39 MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. DARREL VION WALRAVEN, et al., Defendants. NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT VI TO: HARVEY R. GREENE, DECEASED THE ESTATE OF HARVEY R. GREENE, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT 22701 LAKE ROAD #409B ROCKY RIVER, OH 44116 CLAUDIA SAVAGE-GREENE, DECEASED 6337 POPLAR STREET CHINCOTTEAGUE ISLAND, VA 23336-2509 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 14, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001095-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT VI
 10 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: H11106 & H11107 & H11108 & H11109 & H11110 & H11111 & H11112 & H11113 & H11114 & H11115) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 2500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2016 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on MAY 28, 2026, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 14, 2026. DATED this 14th day of April, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #126435.9072 MORI #ORANGE April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2024-CA-001095-O DIV NO.: 39 MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. DARREL VION WALRAVEN, et al., Defendants. NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT VII TO: LEROY S. ADAMS, DECEASED 236 PERSHING AVENUE CLEMSON, SC 29631-2192 GERALDINE B. ADAMS 236 PERSHING AVENUE CLEMSON, SC 29631-2192 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 14, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001095-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT VII
 14 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: R84449 & R84450 & R84451 & R86251 & R86252 & R86301 & R86302 & R86303 & R86304 & R86305 & R86306 & R88924 & R88925 & R88926) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 3500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2016 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on MAY 28, 2026, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 14, 2026. DATED this 14th day of April, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #126435.9059 MORI #ORANGE April 17, 24, 2026

Notice of Public Sale Notice is hereby given that **Northwest Orlando Storage** at 5330 N Pine Hills Rd Orlando, FL 32808 will sell the contents of the units listed below at a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien (pursuant to Chapter 83 of the Florida Statutes). The sales will be held online at StorageTreasuries.com on 5/16/26 at approx. 9:00 am. Contents will be sold for cash only to the highest bidder; subject to add'l terms noted on the website. The property to be sold is described as "general household items" unless otherwise noted. Unit#-Name-Description: #xxx-Tenant's name-description, #xxx-Tenant's name-description, #xxx-Tenant's name-description...
#1055-Rodney Alford
#1079-Shirley Landell
#1084-Juanita Hepburn
#1218-Chantilly Ruff
#B016-Deborah Martinez
#B039-Ameal Mclean
#B107-KaWandra Ross-

#B109-Deborah Martinez
#D005-Sulesh Biernauth
#E012-014-Cyntavia Green
#E061-Briana Nieto Journey
 April 24, May 1, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2024-CA-001095-O DIV NO.: 39 MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. DARREL VION WALRAVEN, et al., Defendants. NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT VIII TO: HERBERT ZARROW, DECEASED 81545 AVENIDA CONTENTO STREET INDIJO, CA 92203 PATTIE S. ZARROW 81545 AVENIDA CONTENTO STREET INDIJO, CA 92203 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 14, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001095-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT VIII
 8 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: Q97137 & Q97138 & Q97139 & Q97140 & Q97141 & Q97142 & Q97143 & Q97144) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 2000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2018 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on MAY 28 2026, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 14, 2026. DATED this 14th day of April, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #126435.9072 MORI #ORANGE April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2024-CA-001095-O DIV NO.: 39 MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. DARREL VION WALRAVEN, et al., Defendants. NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT VII TO: LEROY S. ADAMS, DECEASED 236 PERSHING AVENUE CLEMSON, SC 29631-2192 GERALDINE B. ADAMS 236 PERSHING AVENUE CLEMSON, SC 29631-2192 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 14, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001095-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT VII
 14 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: R84449 & R84450 & R84451 & R86251 & R86252 & R86301 & R86302 & R86303 & R86304 & R86305 & R86306 & R88924 & R88925 & R88926) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 3500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2016 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2025-CA-007518-O DIV NO.: 36 MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs. PAUL J. CROWTHER, et al., Defendants. NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IV TO: BILLY W. ANDERSON, DECEASED C/O DAVID C PIPPIN EXECUTOR 100 STONEBRIDGE BOULEVARD JACKSON, TENNESSEE 38801 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 13, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007518-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT IV
Unit Week 11 in Unit 7033, in CYPRESS

days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #126435.9069 MORI #ORANGE April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2025-CA-007518-O DIV NO.: 36 MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs. PAUL J. CROWTHER, et al., Defendants. NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT III TO: VERNA R. ROBINSON, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF VERNA R. ROBINSON, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT D MEUSE & K CROTEAU EXECUTORS KANATA, ONTARIO K2L2T2 CANADA. STANLEY H. ROBINSON, DECEASED D MEUSE & K CROTEAU EXECUTORS 68 MCLENNAN WAY KANATA, ONTARIO K2L2T2 CANADA NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 13, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-007518-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT III
Unit Week 42 in Unit 5436, in CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 4263 at Page 0404 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof. At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of **11:00 a.m. on the 28th of MAY, 2026** online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 14, 2026. DATED April 14, 2026. /s/ Edward M. Fitzgerald EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #110522.1699 MRHC #ORANGE April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2024-CA-001095-O DIV NO.: 39 MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff, vs. DARREL VION WALRAVEN, et al., Defendants. NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT V TO: WINONA J ADKINS, DECEASED 729 55TH STREET OAKLAND, CA 94609 WILLIAM L. SPIGHT 729 55TH STREET OAKLAND, CA 94609 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 14, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001095-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT V
 6 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: C00041 & C00042 & C00043 & C00044 & C00045 & C00046) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2014 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on MAY 28, 2026, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 14, 2026. DATED April 14, 2026. /s/ Edward M. Fitzgerald EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #110522.1697 MRHC #ORANGE April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION CASE NUMBER: 2024-GA-000227-O DIVISION: Guardianship IN RE: GUARDIANSHIP OF AYDEN THOMPSON NOTICE OF DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED GUARDIANSHIP FUNDS DEPOSITED IN COURT REGISTRY Notice is given that, pursuant to section 744.534, Florida Statutes, unclaimed guardianship funds from the following cause remain on deposit in the registry of court: Guardianship of: AYDEN THOMPSON, Person Subject to Guardianship Case Number 2024-GA-000227-O, \$45,448.68 (less the cost of publication); AYDEN THOMPSON, as Guardian, deposited these funds per JUDGE MIKE MURPHY entered on 07/31/2025, on behalf of AYDEN THOMPSON. The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall deposit these funds with the State Treasurer no less than six months after the first publication of this notice, after deducting fees and any costs of publication. Within 10 years from the date of such deposit with the State Treasurer, any person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity entitled to such funds may obtain same by order of court and compliance with other applicable provisions of section 744.534, Florida Statutes. All funds deposited with the State Treasurer not claimed within 10 years from the date of deposit shall escheat to the state for the benefit of the State School Fund. Dated: on this the 24th day of March, 2026 Tiffany Moore Russell Orange County Clerk of the Circuit Court 425 N. Orange Ave., Ste. 335 Orlando, FL 32801 By: Mayra I Cruz Deputy Clerk CIRCUIT COURT SEAL March 27, April 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2025-CA-007518-O DIV NO.: 36 MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of CYPRESS HARBOUR CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs. PAUL J. CROWTHER, et al., Defendants. NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IV TO: BILLY W. ANDERSON, DECEASED C/O DAVID C PIPPIN EXECUTOR 100 STONE

32802, within 30 days of this publication, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Petitioner's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition for Final Judgment of Forfeiture. REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS BY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES. If you are a person with disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County Courthouse, 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. DATED this March 27, 2026 TIFFANY MOORE RUSSELL Clerk of the Court BY: /s/ Stanley Green Deputy Clerk 425 North Orange Ave. Suite 310 Orlando, Florida 32801 Publish: The Apopka Chief April 10, 17, 24, May 1, 2026

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE PERSONAL PROPERTY OF THE FOLLOWING TENANTS WILL BE SOLD FOR CASH TO SATISFY RENTAL LIENS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTES, SELF STORAGE FACILITY ACT, SECTIONS 83.806 AND 83.807. CONTENTS MAY INCLUDE TOOLS, FURNITURE, BEDDING, KITCHEN, TOYS, GAMES, HOUSEHOLD ITEMS, PACKED CARTONS, CARS, TRUCKS, ETC. THERE IS NO TITLE FOR VEHICLES SOLD AT LIEN SALE. OWNERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO BID ON UNITS. LIEN SALE TO BE HELD ONLINE, ENDING TUESDAY, May 5, 2026. VIEWING AND BIDDING WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT WWW.STORAGETREASURES.COM BEGINNING AT LEAST 5 DAYS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME. **PERSONAL MINI STORAGE APOPKA**, 1365 E Semoran Blvd., Apopka, FL 32703, 10:00 AM: **1128 Sean O'Connell, Janaye Priscilla Trombley, 2002 Suzuki VZ800K2 Marauder JS1V553A322101259; 1309-Dashaw Brooks; 1407-Ashton Lee; 1409-Emil Urena** April 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA File No. 2025-GA-000157-O **PROBATE DIVISION IN RE: GUARDIANSHIP OF JAYDEN MAHONE Minor** **NOTICE OF ACTION TO: JAMOCIA MAHONE** Last Known Address: 5001 Catspaw Ct, Orlando, Florida 32808 **YOU ARE NOTIFIED** that a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of Minor (Property) has been filed in this Court regarding the property interests of your minor child, JAYDEN MAHONE. The property involved includes real estate located at 5493 Rolling Meadows Rd., Randleman, NC 27317, valued at approximately \$300,000.00. This action is limited to the management and protection of the minor's property and does not seek to terminate your parental rights or alter the current physical custody of the minor. This notice shall be published once each week for four (4) consecutive weeks in The Apopka Chief, a newspaper published in Orange County, Florida. The first publication date is April 3, 2026. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to this action on Petitioner's attorney, whose name and address are: John A. Morey, Esq. Morey Law Firm, P.A. 250 N. Orange Ave., Suite 1220 Orlando, FL 32801 Email: johnamorey@gmail.com/ service@moreylawfirm.com on or before May 3, 2026, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court at 425 N. Orange Ave., Orlando, FL 32801, either before service on Petitioner's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on this 31st day of March, 2026. (SEAL) CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Deputy Clerk April 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NUMBER: 2026-CA-003747-O **DIVISION NUMBER: 33 IN RE: FORFEITURE OF A FREEGO ELECTRIC BIKE MODEL NS** **NOTICE OF FORFEITURE COMPLAINT TO: YASEL MEDINA ROSADO** 9534 MONTELO DR ORLANDO, FL 32817 and all others who claim an interest in A FREEGO ELECTRIC BIKE MODEL NS, which was seized on or about the 21st day February 2026, at or near Ecom River/Dean Rd., Orange County, Florida. Said property is in the custody of the Sheriff of Orange County. A Complaint for forfeiture has been filed in the above-styled Court. I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Notice is being served pursuant to the notice provisions of Florida Statutes 932.701-707, this 8th day of April 2026. /s/ Jose C. Campa Jose C. Campa Assistant General Counsel Florida Bar No. 1057881 Orange County Sheriff's Office Legal Services P.O. Box 1440 Orlando, FL 32802 (407) 254-7170 jose.campa@ocsoff.com April 17, 24, 2026

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09 FLORIDA STATUTES NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of **Central Florida LUG**, with a mailing address of 3952 Knott Dr, Apopka FL 32712 and a principal office located in Orange County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: Renaissance Lego User Group Inc April 24, 2026

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09 FLORIDA STATUTES NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in

business under the Fictitious Name of **Inkless Signature**, with a mailing address of 191 Maudehehlen St, Apopka, FL 32703 and a principal office located in Orange County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: Nia Johnson April 24, 2026

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09 FLORIDA STATUTES NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of **Luke's Pro Wash**, with a mailing address of 235 West Grossenbacher, Apopka and a principal office located in Orange County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: Luke Schuessler April 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2024-CA-001095-O **DIV NO.: 39** **MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.** Plaintiff, vs. **DARREL VION WALRAVEN, et al., Defendants.**

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT XV TO: JAMIE L. BAKER 25351 GOODSON ROAD SPLENDORA, TX 77372-3608 **GINA M. BAKER, DECEASED** PO BOX 141 SPLENDORA, TX 77372-0141 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 21, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001095-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT XV 10 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: F82710 & F82711 & F82712 & F82713 & F82714 & F82715 & F82716 & F82717 & F82718 & F82719) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 2500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of December 01, 2014. (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement). At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on the 28th day of May, 2026, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 22, 2026. DATED this 22nd day of April, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #126435.9154 MORI #ORANGE April 24, May 1, 2026

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION **NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE PERMIT** The Department of Environmental Protection gives notice of its intent to issue an operating permit renewal to **Shelley's Septic Tanks, Inc.** (6505 Jones Ave. Zellwood, Florida) for the existing Shelley's Biosolids Treatment Facility (BTF). The facility is located at latitude 28 o 43' 51.31" N, longitude -81 o 37' 4.86" W on 6505 W Jones Ave, Zellwood, Florida 32798 in Orange County, Florida. The Department has assigned File Number FLA016177-047-DW1S to the project. The intent to issue and application file are available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at the Department's Central District Office, 3319 Maguire Blvd, Suite 232, Orlando, Florida 32803-3767, at phone number (407)897-4100. The Department will issue the permit, unless a petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., before the deadline for filing a petition. On the filing of a timely and sufficient petition, this action will not be final and effective until further order of the Department. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the hearing process may result in a modification of the agency action or even denial of the application. **Petition for Administrative Hearing** A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. Pursuant to Rules 28-106.201 and 28-106.301, F.A.C., a petition for an administrative hearing must contain the following information: (a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known; (b) The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests are or will be affected by the agency determination; (c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency decision; (d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate; (e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts that the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action; (f) A statement of the specific rules or stat-

utes that the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action, including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and (g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action that the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.

The petition must be filed (received by the Clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or via electronic correspondence at Agency_Clerk@FloridaDEP.gov. Also, a copy of the petition shall be mailed to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing. **Time Period for Filing a Petition** In accordance with Rule 62-110.106(3), F.A.C., petitions for an administrative hearing by the applicant and persons entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 14 days of receipt of this written notice. Petitions filed by any persons other than the applicant, and other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 14 days of publication of the notice or within 14 days of receipt of the written notice, whichever occurs first. The failure to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the discretion of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C. **Extension of Time** Under Rule 62-110.106(4), F.A.C., a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may also request an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing. The Department may, for good cause shown, grant the request for an extension of time. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, or via electronic correspondence at Agency_Clerk@FloridaDEP.gov, before the deadline for filing a petition for an administrative hearing. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon. **Mediation** Mediation is not available in this proceeding. April 24, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2024-CA-001095-O **DIV NO.: 39** **MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.** Plaintiff, vs. **DARREL VION WALRAVEN, et al., Defendants.** **NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT X TO: BRIAN K DISMUKES DECEASED** THE ESTATE OF BRIAN K DISMUKES, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT 131 VISTA CIRCLE EASLEY, SC 29642 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 21, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001095-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT X 8 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: BC7518 & BC7519 & BC7520 & BC7521 & BC7522 & BC7523 & BC7524 & BC7525) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 2000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, Page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2021 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement). **AND** 1 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: Q82112) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 250 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, Page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2021 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement). **AND** 1 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: Q82112) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 250 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, Page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2018 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement). At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on the 28th day of May, 2026, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 22, 2026. DATED this 22nd day of April, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #126435.9111 MORI #ORANGE April 24, May 1, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2025-GA-009846-O **DIV NO.: 36** **MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of GRANDE VISTA OF ORLANDO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent,** Plaintiff, vs. **BRIAN M. HARTMAN, et al., Defendants.** **NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT II TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN: TO: MICHAEL BRATHWAITE** 2751 DOMINION BLVD WINDSOR, ONTARIO N9E 2M7 CANADA **AND KATHLEEN BRATHWAITE** 2751 DOMINION BLVD WINDSOR, ONTARIO N9E 2M7 CANADA The above named Defendants are not known to be dead or alive and, if dead, the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, or other claimants, by, through under or against said Defendant and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described below. **YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** of the institution of the above-styled foreclosure proceedings by the Plaintiff, MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a lien and for other relief relative to the following described property: **COUNT II** **Unit Week 13'X in Unit 9149, in GRANDE VISTA CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 5114 at Page 1488 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof.** AND you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to the complaint, upon EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQUIRE, Holland & Knight LLP, 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600, Orlando, Florida 32801, attorneys for the Plaintiff, on or before thirty (30) days from the first day of publication herein and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. DATED on this 20th day of April, 2026. Tiffany Moore Russell Clerk of the Court By: /s/ Stanley Green Deputy Clerk 425 North Orange Ave. Suite 310 Orlando, Florida 32801 CIRCUIT COURT SEAL CONFORMED COPY TO: EDWARD M. FITZGERALD HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600 Orlando, Florida 32801 Ph. (407) 244-5198 ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida, (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2024-CA-001095-O **DIV NO.: 39** **MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.** Plaintiff, vs. **DARREL VION WALRAVEN, et al., Defendants.** **NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT XIV TO: ALLISON W. EDEN, DECEASED** PO BOX 1973 WILSON, WY 83014-1973 **JAMES E. EDEN** PO BOX 1973 WILSON, WY 83014-1973 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 21, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001095-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as: **COUNT XIV** 22 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: D94626 & D94627 & D94628 & D94629 & D94630 & D94631 & D94632 & D94633 & D94634 & D94635 & D94636 & D94637 & D94638 & D94639 & D94640 & D94641 & D94642 & D94643 & D94644 & D94645 & D94646 & D94647) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 5500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of May 01, 2014 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement). At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on the 28th day of May, 2026, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 22, 2026. DATED this 22nd day of April, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #126435.9111 MORI #ORANGE April 24, May 1, 2026

ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2024-CA-001095-O **DIV NO.: 39** **MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC.** Plaintiff, vs. **DARREL VION WALRAVEN, et al., Defendants.** **NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT XIV TO: ALLISON W. EDEN, DECEASED** PO BOX 1973 WILSON, WY 83014-1973 **JAMES E. EDEN** PO BOX 1973 WILSON, WY 83014-1973 **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on April 21, 2026 in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2024-CA-001095-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as: **COUNT XIV** 22 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: D94626 & D94627 & D94628 & D94629 & D94630 & D94631 & D94632 & D94633 & D94634 & D94635 & D94636 & D94637 & D94638 & D94639 & D94640 & D94641 & D94642 & D94643 & D94644 & D94645 & D94646 & D94647) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 5500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of May 01, 2014 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement). At Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. on the 28th day of May, 2026, online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on April 22, 2026. DATED this 22nd day of April, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #126435.9153 MORI #ORANGE April 24, May 1, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2025-GA-009846-O **DIV NO.: 36** **MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of GRANDE VISTA OF ORLANDO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent,** Plaintiff, vs. **BRIAN M. HARTMAN, et al., Defendants.** **NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT II TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN: TO: MICHAEL BRATHWAITE** 2751 DOMINION BLVD WINDSOR, ONTARIO N9E 2M7 CANADA **AND KATHLEEN BRATHWAITE** 2751 DOMINION BLVD WINDSOR, ONTARIO N9E 2M7 CANADA The above named Defendants are not known to be dead or alive and, if dead, the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, or other claimants, by, through under or against said Defendant and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described below. **YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** of the institution of the above-styled foreclosure proceedings by the Plaintiff, MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, upon the filing of a complaint to foreclose a lien and for other relief relative to the following described property: **COUNT II** **Unit Week 13'X in Unit 9149, in GRANDE VISTA CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 5114 at Page 1488 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof.** AND you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to the complaint, upon EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQUIRE, Holland & Knight LLP, 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600, Orlando, Florida 32801, attorneys for the Plaintiff, on or before thirty (30) days from the first day of publication herein and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. DATED on this 20th day of April, 2026. Tiffany Moore Russell Clerk of the Court By: /s/ Stanley Green Deputy Clerk 425 North Orange Ave. Suite 310 Orlando, Florida 32801 CIRCUIT COURT SEAL CONFORMED COPY TO: EDWARD M. FITZGERALD HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600 Orlando, Florida 32801 Ph. (407) 244-5198 ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida, (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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