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## \*\*MEDIA ADVISORY\*\*

## Join Florida Rights Restoration Coalition and the Indian River and Seminole County Supervisor of Elections, and the Indian River Sheriff to Grant an Honorary Posthumous Vote Certificate to the Late Barbara Haynes

**Vero Beach, FL** - On January 21, 2021 the <u>Florida Rights Restoration Coalition</u> (FRRC) will partner with the Indian River and Seminole County Supervisor of Elections, as well as the Indian River Sheriff, to grant an Honorary Posthumous Vote Certificate to the late Barbara Haynes who had not voted for decades because of a past felony conviction. FRRC helped her register to vote in 2020, and she had hoped to fulfill her wish of voting in one of the most important elections in history. She unfortunately passed away due to a terminal illness before she was able to cast her vote. As we celebrate democracy during the 2021 inauguration, honoring this returning citizen is a key opportunity to inspire others to also hold their voting right sacred and to reaffirm FRRC's commitment to continue advocating for every returning citizen that Amendment 4 provided the opportunity to participate in our democracy.

WHO: Desmond Meade, Executive Director, FRRC

Family of Barbara Haynes

Chris Anderson, Seminole County Supervisor of Elections

Leslie Rossway Swan, Indian River County Supervisor of Elections

Eric Flowers, Indian River County Sheriff

Neil Volz, Deputy Director, FRRC

**WHAT:** A recognition of the honorary posthumous vote of Barbara Haynes.

WHEN: January 21st, Press Availability at 1:00 pm EST, Press Conference at 2:00 pm EST

WHERE: Indian River County Supervisor of Elections Office, 4375 43rd Ave. Vero Beach, Fl 32967



## **About The Florida Rights Restoration Coalition**

FRRC is a grassroots, membership organization run by Returning Citizens (Formerly Convicted Persons) who are dedicated to ending the disenfranchisement and discrimination against people with convictions and creating a more comprehensive and humane reentry system that will enhance successful reentry, reduce recidivism, and increase public safety. For more information, visit https://floridarrc.com/.

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