

# TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Minutes of the Town of Palm Beach Town Caucus Held on December 3, 2024

A CAUCUS OF THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH HELD IN THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, AT 3:30 P.M. ON DECEMBER 3, 2024, FOR NOMINATING CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL SEATS, GROUPS ONE AND TWO.

The 113th Annual Town Caucus was held in Town Hall Chambers at the above-named time according to the call and notice, which was published in the Palm Beach Post, a newspaper in Palm Beach County, Florida, and El Latino Semanal News, a Spanishlanguage newspaper in Palm Beach County, Florida, on November 18, 2024, November 25, 2024, and December 2, 2024.

#### I. CALL TO ORDER - MAYOR DANIELLE H. MOORE

Mayor Danielle H. Moore called the Caucus to order.

## II. <u>ELECTION OF CAUCUS OFFICERS</u>

Mayor Moore advised that the first order of business of this 113th Caucus was to elect Caucus Officers, consisting of a Caucus Chairperson and a Caucus Secretary. She stated that according to the Town Charter and Town Code, only qualified voters may participate in the Town Caucus and that each nominator must state his or her name and street address.

### A. Caucus Chairperson

On motion of Carla Termini Cove, 2860 S. Ocean Blvd., #305, Palm Beach, FL 33480, nominated Nicki McDonald of 234 Merrain Road, Palm Beach, FL 33480, for the 113th Town of Palm Beach Caucus as Chairperson.

Mayor Moore called for further nominations. There were none.

### Ms. McDonald was elected unanimously by acclamation.

Ms. McDonald assumed the office of Chairperson and called for nominations for a Caucus Secretary. Chair McDonald reminded everyone that according to the Town Charter and Code, only qualified voters of the Town are permitted to participate in this 113th Caucus. Each nominator must state his or her name and address.

# **B.** Caucus Secretary

On motion of Carla Termini Cove, 2860 S. Ocean Blvd., #305, Palm Beach, FL 33480, nominated Lawrence Kaplan, 2299 Ibis Isle Road, Palm Beach, FL 33480, for Caucus Secretary.

Chair McDonald called for further nominations, but there were none.

Mr. Kaplan was elected unanimously by acclamation.

#### III. NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR

Chair McDonald called for nominations for Mayor, the seat currently held by Danielle H. Moore. Chair McDonald stated that each nominator must state their name, street address, and the name and address of the person nominated.

Margaret A. Zeidman, 229 Barton Avenue, Palm Beach, FL 33480, nominated Danielle H. Moore, 277 Pendleton Avenue, Palm Beach, 33480, as the candidate for Mayor.

The nomination was seconded by Alfred "Skip" Pollock Aldridge, III, 2295 S. Ocean Blvd, #701, Palm Beach, FL 33480, and Carla Termini Cove, 2860 S. Ocean Blvd., #305, Palm Beach, FL 33480.

Chair McDonald called for further nominations. There were none.

After a motion to close nominations was made, seconded, and unanimously passed, Chair McDonald declared that nominations for Mayor were closed.

Chair McDonald then declared Danielle H. Moore duly nominated at the 113<sup>th</sup> Town Caucus to be the candidate for Mayor and requested that the candidate state her name and address and that she is a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

Danielle H. Moore was recognized. She stated that her address is 277 Pendleton Avenue, Palm Beach, FL 33480, and she is a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

# IV. NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF TOWN COUNCIL MEMBER – GROUP ONE

Chair McDonald called for Town Council Member – Group One nominations, the seat currently held by Julie Araskog. Chair McDonald stated that each nominator must state their name, street address, and the name and address of the person nominated.

Michael Small, 156 East Inlet Drive, Palm Beach, FL 33480, nominated Julie Araskog, 1490 Via Manana, Palm Beach, 33480, as a Town Council Member – Group One candidate.

The nomination was seconded by Denise A. Hanley, 417 Seabreeze Avenue, Palm Beach, FL 33480, and Gail Ellen Howe, 2295 S. Ocean Blvd., PH 20, Palm Beach, FL 33480.

Chair McDonald called for further nominations. There were none.

After a motion to close nominations was made, seconded, and unanimously passed, Chair McDonald declared that nominations for the Town Council - Group One candidate were closed.

Chair McDonald then declared Julie Araskog duly nominated at the 113th Town Caucus to be a candidate for the Office of Town Council Member - Group One and requested that the candidate state her name and address and that she is a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

Julie Araskog was recognized. She stated that her address is 1490 Via Manana, Palm Beach, FL 33480 and she was a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

# V. NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF TOWN COUNCIL MEMBER – GROUP TWO

Chair McDonald called for Town Council Member – Group Two nominations, the seat currently held by Edward "Ted" A. Cooney. Chair McDonald stated that each nominator must state their name, street address, and the name and address of the person nominated.

John Franklin Cooney, Jr., 140 Seagate Road, Palm Beach, FL 33480, nominated Edward "Ted" Cooney, 251 Royal Poinciana Way, Palm Beach, 33480, as a Town Council Member – Group Two candidate.

The nomination was seconded by Brittain Damgard, 117 Wells Road, Palm Beach, FL 33480, and William Gilbane, III, 675 North Lake Way, Palm Beach, FL 33480.

Chair McDonald called for further nominations. There were none.

After a motion to close nominations was made, seconded, and unanimously passed, Chair McDonald declared that nominations for the Town Council - Group Two candidate were closed.

Chair McDonald then declared Edward "Ted" Cooney duly nominated at the 113<sup>th</sup> Town Caucus to be a candidate for the Office of Town Council Member – Group Two and requested that the candidate state his name and address and that he is a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

Edward "Ted" Cooney was recognized. He stated that his address is 251 Royal Poinciana Way, Palm Beach, FL 33480, and he was a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

# VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Caucus, upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the Caucus adjourned at 4:22 p.m.	
Nicki McDonald	Lawrence Kaplan
Caucus Chairperson	Caucus Secretary
ATTEST:	
Kelly Churney, Acting Town Clerk Date:	