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Mayor Kristin Jacobs Inducted Into Broward County Women's Hall of Fame *First "Sole" Inductee in Women's Hall of Fame History*

On Sunday, March 13, 2005 at 1:30 p.m., Broward County Mayor Kristin Jacobs will be inducted into the Broward County Women's Hall of Fame. This is the first year since the Hall was founded that there will be only one person inducted. The induction will take place at the Anne Kolb Nature Center, 751 Sheridan Street, Hollywood.

Mayor Jacobs was chosen by the Board of County Commissioners to serve as Mayor in 2005. Since her election to the County Commission in 1998, Mayor Jacobs has distinguished herself by championing a number of causes, including regional growth management issues, preserving and enhancing the environment, establishing a Living Wage Ordinance and advocating on behalf of the victims of domestic violence. She has single-handedly changed the direction of Broward County through her unwavering leadership in protecting our natural resources, including water and air, by proposing and guiding such programs as NatureScape Broward, Water Matters Day and the creation of the 180-mile Greenways and Trails system. Mayor Jacobs has proclaimed 2005 as the "Year of the Environment" and continues to direct focus to the important environmental issues in the county. She has also made it a priority this year to improve and strengthen relationships with Broward County cities.

Mayor Jacobs has set a new standard for leadership through her hard work and wise counsel on such organizations as the South Florida Regional Planning Council, the Water Resources Advisory Committee, the Water Advisory Board, the Metropolitan Planning Council, the Homeless Initiative Partnership, Women in Distress, the Broward League of Cities and the Florida Association of Counties.

"It is important that Broward County continues to highlight and honor those women who have made such a difference in the lives of so many. Mayor Jacobs joins an elite group," said Patti Lynn, President of the Women's History Coalition. "Most are not elected officials, but all have committed themselves to improving the lives of women. Mayor Jacobs took a giant step in women's lives when she fought for a living wage. That one act enabled many single women to improve the quality of their daily lives."

The women in the Broward County Women's Hall of Fame come from all walks of life; teachers, state representatives and senators, county commissioners, business owners, school board members, judges and lawyers have all been inducted. Mayor Jacobs joins fellow Commissioners Suzanne Gunzburger, Ilene Lieberman and Diana Wasserman-Rubin in the Broward County Women's Hall of Fame.

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