



**“Looking out for District 4 as Broward’s Vice Mayor”  
by Broward County Vice Mayor Ken Keechl**

It’s been a little over two years since you elected me to represent you and your families on the Broward County Commission and my pride and enthusiasm hasn’t lessened in the least. Again, I am honored and humbled by your vote of confidence in me.

On November 18<sup>th</sup> 2008, my eight colleagues on the Broward County Commission also bestowed upon me an additional honor: they unanimously elected me to be Broward County’s Vice Mayor for the next twelve months. I can’t remember the last time the Broward County Commissioner for District 4 was actually Mayor or Vice Mayor of Broward County. Obviously, I am honored and humbled by their vote of confidence in me as well.

For the past two years as your County Commissioner, I have looked out for (and will continue to look out for) District 4, which is comprised of: north and coastal Deerfield Beach, Hillsboro Beach, Lighthouse Point, southeast and coastal Pompano Beach, Sea Ranch Lakes, Lauderdale By The Sea, northeast and coastal Ft. Lauderdale, Oakland Park (east of I-95), Wilton Manors, Lazy Lakes, and a small portion of north Hollywood and northeast Dania Beach. I will continue to look out for District 4.

But while looking out for you and your families, I will be simultaneously assisting our new Mayor, Stacy Ritter, in chairing our Commission meetings, and in representing Broward County locally, statewide, nationally, and internationally. I’m looking forward to the challenge.

Importantly, Mayor Ritter and I share the common belief that Broward County needs to be both business friendly and environmentally sensitive. We both believe that the Broward County Commission should play an important role in identifying and encouraging the development of our economic engines. Therefore, I will be assisting the Mayor with her stated priorities of: a) accessing the Florida East Coast rail corridor to link Broward’s cities with the airport, seaport, courthouse and transportation centers; b) supporting an inland port in western Palm Beach County to maximize rail and truck shipping opportunities for Port Everglades; and c) “greening” Broward County’s operations by creating a comprehensive plan to substantially reduce Broward’s carbon footprint—in a cost efficient manner.

And, of course, I will continue to further my vision (and our shared vision) for Broward County by advocating for lowering property taxes, eliminating wasteful spending, encouraging a more efficient County government, and continuing the protection of our dwindling green and open spaces.

You and your families deserve nothing less.

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