



**A warm hello from  
Lois Wexler  
Broward County Commissioner  
District 5**

Dear Friends,

My name is Lois Wexler and I'd like to thank you for the opportunity to serve as the new Broward County Commissioner presiding over district five. I know I have big shoes to fill! Commissioner Lori Parrish has served this area for the past sixteen years and now moves on to the office of Property Appraiser. This is the first time that a new Commissioner has been elected to the Board in four years, so I feel this is an ideal opportunity for me to bring new ideas and a fresh approach to County government. My background has prepared me well and I'd like for you to get to know me better.

I may have already met some of you or perhaps you've heard my name before. I'm new to the Broward County Commission, but a veteran of public service!

For the past twelve years I have served on the School Board of Broward County. I was first elected in 1992 and I was selected to serve as Chair three times during that term. The School Board of Broward County manages a \$4-billion budget and is responsible for 26,000 employees. It's a career that has served me well and has certainly prepared me for my new role as a Broward County Commissioner.

I see great things in store for Broward County. We stand on strong fiscal ground. For the past seven years in a row the county's tax rate was either lowered or remained the same. Our general obligation bond ratings remain high, in fact, higher than the State of Florida. Our property values remain high, our unemployment rate is low. However, I feel that we can't rest on our laurels.

Over the next four years I plan to promote and expand economic growth in our county. I'd like to create a wireless county where people can use a computer and access the internet from anywhere in Broward County, much like you use a cellular phone. I want to expand programs for senior citizens and make them easier to access. There's also one *big* problem that I want to aggressively find solutions for and that's *traffic congestion* on our roadways!

I've lived in Broward County for twenty five years and I've seen a lot of growth and with it a lot of change. My husband, Steve, and I have two adult daughters and we dote endlessly over our grandson. I'm a graduate of Florida Atlantic University and hold a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education.

I want to be accessible and responsive to your issues and concerns. I'd like to encourage you to get involved in County government. Your opinions and thoughts are important to me. Please feel free to contact me at anytime by calling 954-357-7005 or e-mail at: [lwexler@broward.org](mailto:lwexler@broward.org).

I look forward to serving you for many years to come!

Sincerely,

Lois Wexler  
Commissioner, District 5