

WHEREAS, Samuel F. Morrison completed his undergraduate work at California State University in Los Angeles and his Master's Degree in Library Science at the University of Illinois and he is also a graduate of the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government, a local government program for elected and appointed officials; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Morrison was appointed Director of the Broward County Library System on January 29, 1990, previously served as the Chief Librarian for the City of Chicago from 1987 – 1990 and was responsible for the planning, design and construction of the Harold Washington Library Center; the largest municipal library in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Morrison serves on a number of boards and is a member of several organizations e.g. The American Library Association, Governing Council, Chair of the Budgeting Committee, The Organizational Committee, Publishing and Nominating Committees, Member of the NAACP, Past President of the Gold Coast Jazz Society, and serves on the Board of Directors of the Broward Public Library Foundation, the Southeast Florida Library Information Network, Bonnet Hours, the National Conference for Community and Justice, Florida Memorial College, the Fontaneda Society, Henderson Mental Health Center, the Boys and Girls Clubs of Broward County, the Youth Orchestra of Florida. He is also a member of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators and is the first recipient of the Dr. Mack King Carter Community Revitalization Summit Humanitarian Award; and

WHEREAS, Samuel Morrison will receive the First Annual ULC/Dynix Urban Player Award including a cash award of \$1000 while attending the ALA Annual Conference.

WHEREAS, Mr. Morrison serving as President of the Southeast Florida Library Information Network, was instrumental in developing and implementing the SEFLIN Free-Net; and

WHEREAS, September 7, 1995 Samuel Morrison announced his idea of building a library in Fort Lauderdale in which to house black history materials. Approved by the Broward County Commission and charged with raising \$7.5 million towards this \$12.5 million dollar project, his idea became a reality with the opening of The African-American Research Library and Cultural Center October 26, 2002.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Davie hereby proclaim Wednesday, March 5, 2003 in the Town of Davie as;

SAMUEL F. MORRISON DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 5th day of **March, 2003**.

Harry Venis, Mayor