

WHEREAS, Debbie Chandler was born in Lewiston, Maine and showed a love for animals from a very early age, rescuing all species of animals so that she could release them back into the wild, or adopt them out if they could be domesticated; and

WHEREAS, eight years ago, Debbie Chandler found an injured opossum near her home in Davie where she and her husband have lived since 1986; and

WHEREAS, Debbie contacted Beatrice Martin, the then president of Rascal's Wildlife Care Network, a non-profit organization dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation and release of orphaned or injured wildlife; and

WHEREAS, Debbie enjoyed caring for that baby opossum so much that she became a volunteer for Rascals and then a licensed rehabilitator for the State of Florida spending most of her free time caring for sick, injured or orphaned animals; and

WHEREAS, Debbie is always available to the police, Sheriff's Department and people of Broward County, never turning down an animal in need of her care and ever ready to assist at least two to three private citizens each day throughout the year who turn to her for help; and

WHEREAS, Debbie's selfless dedication to her community is boundless as she also serves the residents of the Town of Davie by representing them on the Town of Davie Airport Advisory Board and the Open Space Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Debbie has been recognized by Fox Network and chosen for the Ambush Makeover in recognition of her community service and commitment.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Davie, hereby proclaim Wednesday, December 15th, 2004 in the Town of Davie as;

DEBBIE CHANDLER APPRECIATION DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 15th day of December, 2004.

Tom Truex, Mayor

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