



## LETTER TO THE COMMISSION

**LTC No: 26-107**

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission  
**FROM:** Rickelle Williams, City Manager *RW*  
**DATE:** April 13, 2026  
**SUBJECT:** Florida League of Cities Home Rule Hero Award

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The purpose of this Letter to the Commission (LTC) is to announce that the Florida League of Cities (FLC), the voice for Florida's municipal governments, has honored Daphnee A. Sainvil, Intergovernmental Affairs Manager, with the 2026 Home Rule Hero Award for the second year in a row. This distinction recognizes her outstanding advocacy and leadership during the 2026 Legislative Session.

Daphnee has been instrumental in advancing Fort Lauderdale's ability to address local needs—an essential principle of Home Rule. In coordination with delegation members, contract lobbyists, and City staff, she helped secure funding for critical local projects.

Daphnee works diligently to provide insights, local data, and real-world examples that inform state lawmakers and elevate the voice of Fort Lauderdale and cities across Florida. Her leadership and advocacy continue to strengthen the City's reputation and ensure its priorities are represented at every level of government.

In addition to her policy efforts, she remains a strong advocate for state funding that supports infrastructure improvements, workforce development and training programs, public safety initiatives, and streetscape enhancements—helping ensure Fort Lauderdale continues to thrive and meet the evolving needs of its residents and businesses.

Please join me in congratulating Daphnee on this well-deserved recognition.

c: Shari L. McCartney, City Attorney  
David R. Soloman, City Clerk  
Patrick Reilly, City Auditor  
City Manager's Office  
Department Directors