MANATEE RIVER FAIR ASSOCIATION

MANATEE COUNTY DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN AWARD

NOMINATION FORM

I. **BACKGROUND** The Manatee County Distinguished Citizen Award is presented annually by the members of the Manatee River Fair Association in cooperation with the Manatee Board of County Commissioners. This award recognizes those individuals who have made significant and meritorious contributions to Manatee County in the way of volunteer community service.

Since 1956, the award has been presented at the Manatee County Fair in January. In the spring, a reception and ceremony honors the award recipient when their footprints, along with those of previous winners, are unveiled in concrete on the sidewalk in front of the Manatee County Courthouse.

Any Manatee County citizen may nominate individuals for the award. The selection process for this prestigious award is based on the following:

- The nominee(s) should currently reside in Manatee County.
- The nominee(s) resume of service should demonstrate their **longevity, depth and diversity of volunteer service benefiting the citizens of Manatee County but not directly related to their employment or professional responsibilities.**
- Active Fair Board or County Commission Board members are not eligible for this award.
- Applications shall remain on file for consideration for a period of two years.

Resume of Service
Please provide the following information, including any supportive comments or documents that you feel will qualify the nominee for the award. Attach additional pages as needed.

II. **RESUME INFORMATION** should include the following data with supportive comments as desired by nominating person:

1. Full name of nominee: _____
2. Nominee birth date: _____ Birthplace: _____
3. If married, full name of spouse: _____ (For contact purposes)
4. Nominee mailing address: _____
5. Nominee's children: _____
6. Nominee's educational background: _____
7. If nominee not born in Manatee County, date nominee moved to Manatee County: _____
8. Date and branch of military service, if any: _____

9. Community affiliations (church, charitable, civic, fraternal, agricultural, political, social, etc.): _____

10. Awards and recognitions: _____

11. Please summarize below significant contributions made to and for Manatee County. Attach any supporting materials to document these contributions.

12. Name of individual making nomination: _____

13. Mailing address: _____

14. Telephone: _____ E-Mail: _____ Date _____

III. **Please send or deliver completed application form (by 5:00 PM, November 13, 2026) and attachments to:**

Manatee River Fair Association
ATTN: Citizens Award Committee
1303 17th Street West
Palmetto, FL 34221

For additional information call 941.722.1639 or fax 941.722.5054