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Dear Neighborhood Leader:

Strong viable neighborhoods create a sense of pride in our communities. Resident-led organizations work hard to keep our neighborhoods clean, safe and vibrant places to live, work and play. Naturally, communication within a neighborhood plays a critical role. That is why I am very happy to inform you of an innovative Internet-based community network known as Neighborhood Link.

Through Neighborhood Link's partnership with Palm Beach County, free web sites will be offered to every neighborhood and community organization in the county. Participants in this service can design their own interactive sites to include such features as event listings and calendars, postings of newsletters, forums for dialogue and hot links to elected officials and other useful sites.

Neighborhood Link sites are designed to build stronger communities and enable civic communication while supporting ongoing efforts to enhance citizen participation.

I urge you to consider this free opportunity to build your own interactive, on-line "town hall" of information, communication and commerce. With some great content and neighborly interaction on your site, you are sure to attract more of your neighbors to your organization and gain greater participation in your events.

If your organization is interested in activating your Neighborhood Link Web site or for more information, please contact Ruth Moguillansky-De Rose, with Palm Beach County's Office of Community Revitalization, at (561) 233-5376 or via e-mail at <u>rmoguill@pbcgov.org</u>. You can also contact Neighborhood Link at the toll free number 1-888-241-0123 or email them at <u>info@neighborhoodlink.com</u>.

I look forward to seeing your neighborhood on-line.

Sincerely.

Commissioner Jeff Koons Chairman