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OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM REMEMBERS SAM GOLDEN

TALLAHASSEE, FL – It is with great sadness that we share the news of the loss of Sam Golden, a treasured member of our ombudsman team. Sam initially became certified as an ombudsman in October of 2013 and served until December of 2016, eventually returning to the Program in April of 2019 to serve for a second term.

Sam was a highly effective and dedicated volunteer, positively impacting the lives of countless residents throughout his time as an ombudsman. We know the stressful situations faced by those in need of the services our ombudsmen provide, and Sam’s words and actions went long way toward helping them retain their dignity.

Before his retirement, Sam enjoyed a career in the legal profession, and his passion for advocacy made him a vital member of the Palm Beach Council. Many on the Council knew him as a colleague, a mentor and above all, a friend. Those who had the pleasure of knowing Sam will miss him dearly, and we are forever grateful to him for his service.

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