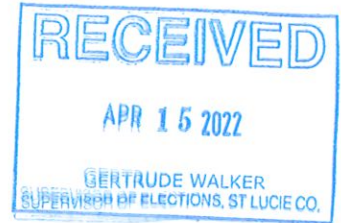


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April 15, 2022

Gertrude Walker
St. Lucie County Supervisor of Elections
4132 Okeechobee Rd.
Fort Pierce, Florida 34947

Dear Supervisor Walker:

Please accept this letter as formal notification of my withdrawal as candidate for St. Lucie County Sheriff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian W. Hester". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Brian W. Hester