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In response to a previously written letter regarding Greg Oravec's intentions for moving our city forward: The research and presentation of accurate facts will allow all Port St. Lucie residents to make informed decisions.

Oravec's vision for additional public access through the continuation of our existing boardwalks and addition of a low-intensity waterfront restaurant makes solid economic sense while preserving our estuary.

Bringing business into this area will create jobs and reduce property taxes. This plan for the land south of the botanical garden, allows us to appreciate and embrace our waterfront with responsible conservation. Oravec's education and subsequent B.A. degree in marine environmental systems, as well as his experience working professionally in planning and community redevelopment, qualify him to make beneficial, informed decisions that will allow us to live up to our motto of being a "City For All Ages."

As an 18-year resident living close to our waterways and having family members who make a living from those waterways, continued conservation is of the utmost importance to me, my neighbors, and my family.

Oravec's record demonstrates his ability to partner with all interested parties, and to best use the wonderful assets Port St. Lucie has to offer. I have spoken to him in this connection and feel very satisfied that his mission is to serve the residents of Port St. Lucie with the goal of making this community the best it can be.

