**Carol Hartz**

**President, League of Women Voters Sarasota County**

Carol Hartz has been president of the League of Women Voters Sarasota County since 2018. Before becoming president, she served as the League’s 1st Vice President and gun safety chair. Her most recent business position was president of Carol Hartz and Associates, a software consulting firm specializing in financial and rail software design.

Carol’s undergraduate major was Mathematics. She earned a PhD in Decision Sciences at the age of 55 and has been certified as a Project Management Professional. Her academic research has been in how human judgment factors affect both individual and group decision making.

Carol has taught as an adjunct professor at Georgia State University, Eckerd College, and Oglethorpe University. Her past professional associations include the presidency of the Atlanta Microsoft Project User’s Group. Past volunteer associations include Big Brothers/Big Sisters, PALS, Board Member National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI), Finance Chair 100 Central Condominium, Board Member United Way, and Board Member American Association of Individual Investors.

Carol’s primary focus as president of the Sarasota League of Women Voters is in encouraging those with different views to reach consensus on public policy issues through respectful and thoughtful dialogue.