

GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO.: 1225.00

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MAYOR AND COMMISSION TO INITIATE AND IMPLEMENT A PILOT PROJECT FOR INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF MOORING BUOYS TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE LIVING CORAL REEFS ALONG THE COASTLINE OF DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

WHEREAS, the living coral reefs along Dade County's coastline serve as natural barriers against beach erosion; and

WHEREAS, the living coral reefs along Dade County's coastline serve as natural fish and lobster habitats and hatcheries; and comprise the foundation for future commercial fishing; and

WHEREAS, the living coral reefs along Dade County's coastline are the only natural resources for sport fishing, diving and snorkeling; and

WHEREAS, the living coral reefs along Dade County's coastline promote tourism; and

WHEREAS, the living coral reefs along Dade County's coastline serve to filter and thereby cleanse the marine waters as well as provide oxygen to the environment and from photosynthesis; and

WHEREAS, the living coral reefs along Dade County's coastline are being irreparably damaged by anchors dropped on and/or dragged along the reefs; and

WHEREAS, the living coral reefs along Dade County's coastline should be protected and preserved; and

WHEREAS, Broward County, Florida, has already installed and is maintaining mooring buoys to protect living reefs off its shoreline, and its project program has been successful; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of installation of the mooring buoys is approximately \$500 per buoy (including materials); and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of maintaining the buoys is approximately \$250 annually per buoy (based upon Broward County's experience); and

WHEREAS, a group of citizens of Dade County, Florida, (led by Dr. Ira Posner, Brian Flynn, Henry Del Campo, Barry Snyder, Raymond O'Steen, Nelson Marti and Gary Kresge) is advocating installation of mooring buoys and has brought this matter to the attention of local officials, associations and to the Town of Golden Beach,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, THAT

1. The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach request that the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Commission recognize the value of the living coral reefs as a natural resource and implement a project to protect and preserve said living reefs, which project would provide for the installation of mooring buoys at selected sites with dedicated funding to maintain the mooring buoys after installation.

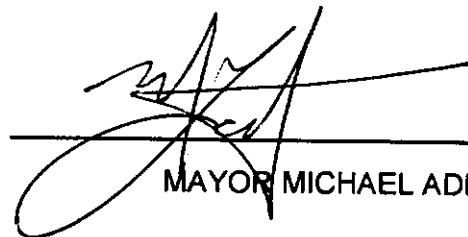
2. The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach request that the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Commission encourage DERM to expedite the permitting process and assist in the selection of sites for the installation of the mooring buoys.

3. The Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach request that there be an initial appropriation for the installation of the mooring buoys and that there be a dedicated funding source set aside annually for the maintenance of buoys after installation.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was offered by Mayor Addicott, seconded by Councilman Paruas, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

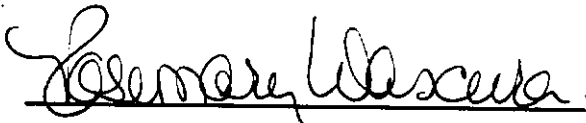
Mayor Addicott	<u>AYE</u>
Vice Mayor Feinman	<u>AYE</u>
Councilwoman Chikovsky	<u>AYE</u>
Councilman Einstein	<u>AYE</u>
Councilman Paruas	<u>AYE</u>

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach, Florida, this 21st day of March 2000.



MAYOR MICHAEL ADDICOTT

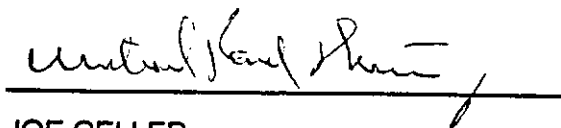
ATTEST:



ROSEMARY WASCURA

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY



JOE GELLER

TOWN ATTORNEY