GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA RESOLUTION NO.: 1226.00

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, MEMBERS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC., REQUESTING THAT THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT CONTINUE ITS OVERALL EVERGLADES RESTORATION RESPONSIBILITY, WITH EQUITABLE STATEWIDE COST SHARING, IN CONJUNCTION WITH PRIORITIZING MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE EFFORTS.

WHEREAS, the South Florida Water Management District is charged with the primary responsibility of coordinating the funding of federally mandated Everglades restoration/reconstruction projects; and

WHEREAS, the responsibility of funding overall projects lies with the Federal Government, State of Florida, Miami-Dade County, and the South Florida Water Management District; and

WHEREAS, the state of Florida, through its executive leadership, must prioritize the needs of its residents in balancing impacted municipal areas with competing restoration efforts; and

WHEREAS, all funding proposals must be based upon equitable cost sharing throughout the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of these impacted municipalities have requested relief on a prioritized basis.

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

<u>Section 1.</u> The foregoing recitals are hereby true and correct.

<u>Section 2</u>. The non-federal funding of the comprehensive Everglades Restoration Program should be equitably shared throughout the State of Florida, and the cost of operations, maintenance and monitoring be shared with the Federal Government, as well.

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<u>Section 3.</u> The availability of the regional water resource for all users be equitably distributed, leaving no one's interest of location unfairly dependent on particularly expensive and technically uncertain sources.

Section 4. The Army Corps of Engineers and the South Florida Water Management District must commit to the people of South Florida and act to ensure the proposed components of the plan will maintain or enhance existing levels of flood protection in all urban, agricultural and environmental preservation areas, and that the projects will not result in adverse water quality or flooding impacts anywhere in South Florida.

<u>Section 5</u>. Despite proposed budgetary cuts and changes, the Governor and the South Florida Water Management District continue municipal drainage programs and prioritize them as an integral part of the overall restoration and reconstruction efforts which address the needs of the adjoining Everglades environs.

Section 6. A copy of this Resolution will be sent to: the Governor, the South Florida Water Management and Metro-Dade County.

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

Mayor Addicott

AYE

Vice Mayor Feinman

AYE

Councilwoman Chikovsky

<u>AYE</u>

Councilman Einstein

AYE

Councilman Paruas

AYE

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

ATTEST:

ROSEMARY WASCURA

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM

AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

JOE GELLER

TOWN ATTORNEY

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MAYOK MICHAEL ADDICOTT