TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH RESOLUTION NO. 1231.00

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, OPPOSING THE DIPLOMAT HOTEL "BEACH PILOT PROJECT" PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FUNDING OF EXPERIMENTAL OFFSHORE BARRIER STRUCTURES IN THE ATLANTIC OCEAN THAT WILL CAUSE CATASTROPHIC BEACH EROSION AND PROPERTY DESTRUCTION IN THE CITIES OF HOLLYWOOD, HALLANDALE, GOLDEN BEACH, SUNNY ISLES, BAL HARBOUR, SURFSIDE, NORTH MIAMI BEACH AND MIAMI BEACH.

WHEREAS, General Appropriations Line Item 1573A (HB2145, SB2200) proviso in HB2145 for 1.9 million dollars to put rock barriers in the ocean to build a beach for hotel development to wit: the Hollywood Diplomat Hotel, will block the natural southerly flow of sand to cities south of Hollywood and also cause beach erosion and property destruction to cities south of Hollywood including but not limited to Golden Beach; and,

WHEREAS, there is <u>NO</u> local legislative sponsor for the project and the project is not approved nor was it considered as part of the Master Renourishment Plan by any state, county or federal authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Golden Beach and its residents and neighboring towns are opposed to funding this harmful experimental project; and

WHEREAS, numerous independent professors of Coastal Sciences including Orin Pilkey, Geologist and Director of the Duke University Program for the Study of developed shorelines, are strongly opposed to placing artificial offshore structures in the ocean because they may well cause erosion for up to 60 miles south of the Hollywood Diplomat Hotel. Stephen Leathermen, Director of Florida International Universities Laboratory for Coastal Research has stated that "the 16 beaches to the south of the Diplomat are going to get hammered" as a result of such an ill advised offshore construction project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN GOLDEN BEACH IN DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS

Section 1. That the Town of Golden Beach hereby expresses its opposition to the Hotel Project (Proviso 1573A in HB2145 for \$1.9 million and respectfully urges that the Florida Legislature REJECT Line Item 1573 proviso in HB2145.

Section 2. That the Town of Golden Beach respectfully requests that the Florida Legislature ensure that this project does <u>not</u> receive any funding or legislative approval of any kind.

Section 3. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage upon approval of the Town Council.

This Resolution was sponsored by Mayor Addicott

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

Mayor Addicott	AYE
Vice Mayor Feinman	AYE
Councilmember Chikovsky	AYE
Councilmember Einstein	AYE
Councilmember Paruas	AYE

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach this 18TH day of <u>April</u>, 2000.

ATTEST:

ROSEMARY J. WASCURA

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

JOSEPH GELLER TOWN ATTORNEY