

GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 1343.01

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AMTRAK PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE BETWEEN JACKSONVILLE AND WEST PALM BEACH ALONG THE EAST COAST OF FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Amtrak and the Florida East Coast Railroad have announced they have signed an agreement that will make possible passenger and improved freight rail service to the East Coast of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the passenger service will consist of two daily round trip trains, with each train carrying up to 300 passengers; and

WHEREAS, this critical addition to our transportation infrastructure depends on a one-time Florida Department of Transportation investment of approximately \$62.5 million, of which \$15.5 million is already set aside; and

WHEREAS, Amtrak trains will provide stops in St. Augustine, Daytona Beach, Titusville, Cocoa/Port Canaveral, Melbourne, Vero Beach, Ft. Pierce and Stuart; and

WHEREAS, these communities have limited transportation options; and

WHEREAS, the project will offer rail transportation as an alternative to residents and tourists and help ease our overcrowded highways; and

WHEREAS, the train service is part of a larger restructuring of Amtrak service to Florida that will result in increased service to many parts of the state,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Town of Golden Beach supports the establishment of Amtrak passenger rail service between Jacksonville and West Palm Beach along the East Coast of Florida.

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Section 2. The Town of Golden Beach urges the Florida Department of Transportation, the Florida State Legislature and Governor Jeb Bush to support and fund the establishment of such passenger rail service.

Section 3. Severability. That the provisions of this Resolution are declared to be severable and if any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution shall, for any reason, be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, clauses, sentences and phrases of this Resolution but they shall remain in effect, notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

Section 4. Conflict. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.


Section 5. Effective Date. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon approval of the Town Council.

Sponsored by Mayor Addicott.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Singer seconded by Councilmember Feinman and on roll call the following vote ensued:


Mayor Addicott:	<u>Absent</u>
Vice Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Feinman	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Paruas	<u>Aye</u>

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach this 21st day of August, 2001.



MAYOR MICHAEL ADDICOTT

ATTEST:


ROSEMARY WASCURA
INTERIM TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY


EDWARD PAUL KRETLING
TOWN ATTORNEY