RESOLUTION NO. 86-103

PURCHASE OF AUBURN UNIVERSITY 156-ACRE TRACT

Resolution by St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners

Let it be proclaimed that the citizens of St. Johns County are interested in preserving selected unique areas of the County in their natural environment for their enjoyment, observation and pleasure;

Furthermore, let it be proclaimed that the citizens of St. Johns County are appreciative of any individuals, institutions or organizations that makes available to the State certain environmentally unique parcels of property for preservation and conservation.

In consideration of said proclamation, and

WHEREAS, the North Beach area is under accelerated developmental pressure from the increased population growth in the County and State; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida has purchased the Guano Tract which protects portions of the Guano River Class II waters of the State, and

WHEREAS, the 156-acre Auburn University Tract of land at Goodwin Beach, St. Johns County, anchors the South boundary of the Guano River, and

WHEREAS, having this Auburn University tract in the public domain would help protect the Class II quality of Guano River for the citizens of St. Johns County and the State of Florida in perpetuity, and

WHEREAS, Auburn University is willing to sell this property to the State of Florida.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners urge and support the State of Florida's purchase of the Auburn University 156-acre Tract in St. Johns County, as part of the State's land acquisition program for preservation and protection of selected unique areas in the State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this 12th day of August in the year one-thousand, nine-hundred and eighty-six.

Francis Blubaker, Chairman St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST: Carl "Bud" Markel, Clerk

By: Cheryl Kent