

RESOLUTION NO. 88-191

WHEREAS, St. Johns County and the Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council have been actively involved in identifying, reviewing and supporting the acquisition of environmentally sensitive and unique lands utilizing the Conservation and Recreational Lands Program of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Northern St. Johns County is a rapidly developing area with two approved Developments of Regional Impact Projects in addition to these Developments of Regional Impact Projects; and

WHEREAS, there is a tract of land in northern St. Johns County which because of its nature character, size and location should be afforded protection from future development; and

WHEREAS, this tract of land is dominated by Twelve Mile Swamp and encompasses approximately 14,000 acres bounded on the east and west of U.S. 1 and I-95 and on the north and south by SR-210 and SR-16 respectively; and

WHEREAS, this tract of land consists primarily of mixed hardwood swamp which drains into the lower St. Johns River via Sampson Creek to the north, Trout Creek to the west, and Turnbull Creek to the south; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its hydrologic value the area has high wildlife values, a bird rookery listed by the Florida Department of Natural Areas Inventory and is habitate for the Black Bear which is a "threatened species"

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners endorses the efforts of the Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council in the nomination of the Twelve Mile Swamp tract for acquisition by the State of Florida utilizing Conservation and Recreational Land funds.

ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, this 12th day of July, 1988.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Lawrence O. Hartley  
Its Chairman

ATTEST: CARL "BUD" MARKEL, CLERK

By: Spencer M. McDonald  
Deputy Clerk