

RESOLUTION NO. 97-187

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY TO SUPPORT THE EXTENSION OF STATE ROAD 9-B APPROXIMATELY ONE MILE FROM I-95 TO RACE TRACK ROAD WITH AN INTERCHANGE LOCATED AT I-95 AND STATE ROAD 9-B.

WHEREAS, at Julington Creek Bridge on State Road 13, the existing primary access to and from northwest St. Johns County, the 1996 F.D.O.T. traffic count exceeds 20,000 vehicles per day north of the bridge in Duval County; and

WHEREAS, current approved development located on Race Track Road will exceed 4,000 additional residential units; and

WHEREAS, construction to four-lane Race Track Road from State Road 13 to Bishop Estates Road has begun, and when completed in 1999, Race Track Road will be four-laned mid-way to the proposed extension of State Road 9-B; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, the Florida D.O.T. will construct a new Durbin Creek Bridge on Race Track Road; and

WHEREAS, State Road 9-B, as proposed, will terminate at I-95, one mile north of Race Track Road in Duval County. Extending State Road 9-B south through currently vacant land to Race Track Road, and construction of an interchange at State Road 9-B and I-95 would alleviate projected traffic conditions on Race Track Road and State Road 13 in northwest St. Johns County, as well as SR 13 and US 1 north into Duval County. Furthermore, this action would create a convenient traffic access into northwest St. Johns County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, being aware of the current traffic problems in this rapidly growing area and how critical those problems will become in the near future, the Board finds that said extension proposed herein will serve this purpose, and that relief must be addressed now to avoid additional traffic congestion on area roadways.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County supports the Florida Department of Transportation's extension of State Road 9-B from I-95 to Race Track Road with an interchange located at I-95 and State Road 9-B. It is found that this extension will greatly serve to solve both current and future traffic problems in the rapidly growing northwest portion of St. Johns County and alleviate traffic congestion on SR 13 and US 1 in Duval County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County,
State of Florida, this 18 day of November, 1997.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Moses A. Floyd
Chairman

ATTEST: CHERYL STRICKLAND, CLERK

By: Debra D'Armitti
Deputy Clerk