

## **RESOLUTION 98-21**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THE ST. JOHNS COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION TO SPONSOR A TIMELY-FILED LOCAL BILL (SEE ATTACHMENT) IN THE 1998 FLORIDA LEGISLATIVE SESSION ENABLING ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO CONDUCT A VOTER REFERENDUM OF THE ELIGIBLE REGISTERED VOTERS RESIDING IN CERTAIN VOTING PRECINCTS ENCOMPASSING AN AREA COMMONLY KNOWN AS PONTE VEDRA BEACH FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING THE PUBLIC WILL REGARDING THE INCLUSION OF SAID AREAS INTO AN INCORPORATION AS A CITY GOVERNMENTAL UNIT, SAID REFERENDUM TO TAKE PLACE DURING THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED ELECTIONS IN 1998.**

**WHEREAS**, Ponte Vedra Beach is a densely populated area in the northeast corner of St. Johns County; and

**WHEREAS**, the population of said area is estimated at 25,000 people; and

**WHEREAS**, the issue of incorporation of the greater Ponte Vedra Beach area as a city has been of great interest to the residents of the area for many years; and

**WHEREAS**, a citizen's group composed of residents of the area has recently endorsed the idea of incorporation and developed plans therefor; and

**WHEREAS**, public meetings have been held to discuss the idea of incorporation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County believes that the citizens of the precincts potentially affected by the incorporation into a unit of city government should be allowed to express their preference for or against such incorporation in a referendum; and

**WHEREAS**, regularly scheduled elections are to be held in 1998 ; and

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature of the State of Florida must pass an act enabling the issue of incorporation for Ponte Vedra Beach to be placed on the ballot;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, respectfully requests the St. Johns County Legislative Delegation to sponsor and gain passage of an act to enable a referendum concerning the issue of Ponte Vedra

Beach city incorporation to be placed on the ballot for the elections of 1998.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, this 27th day of January, 1998

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Moses A. Floyd  
Chairman

ATTEST: Cheryl Strickland, Clerk

By: Patricia A. Grande  
Deputy Clerk