RESOLUTION 98- 23

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF HOUSE BILL 3401 AND SENATE BILL 690 BY THE 1998 FLORIDA LEGISLATURE, THE INTENT OF SAID BILLS TO LOWER THE LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARD FOR INTERSTATE 95 IN ST. JOHNS COUNTY.

WHEREAS, concurrency is a tool which is designed to provide adequate levels of infrastructure for current and potential development; and

WHEREAS, levels of service (daily vehicle trip rates) on state and county roads are a component of concurrency standards; and

WHEREAS, levels of service on state and county roads can be appropriately adjusted by local governments; and

WHEREAS, the responsibility for adjusting levels of service on Interstate Highways currently rests with the Florida Department of Transportation and <u>cannot</u> be adjusted by local governments; and

WHEREAS, the existing FDOT rule and formula for determining levels of service on Interstate 95 have caused St. Johns County difficulty in meeting concurrency standards and could potentially impose inequitable expense on county residents; and

WHEREAS, Representative "Doug" Wiles, 20th District, has introduced House Bill 3401 in the 1998 Legislative Session to allow St. Johns County a lower level of service on Interstate 95; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 3401 and its companion Senate Bill 690 provide additional time for St. Johns County to establish policies to deal with residential and commercial growth along the Interstate Corridor.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by unanimous vote of the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, that it urgently requests the 1998 Florida Legislature to pass House Bill 3401 and Senate Bill 690 in the upcoming Legislative Session.

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

ATTEST: Cheryl Strickland, Clerk

Deputy Clerk