

**RESOLUTION NO. 99 - 120**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND ST. AUGUSTINE AMPHITHEATER, INC. TO ASSUME OPERATIONS OF THE ST. AUGUSTINE AMPHITHEATER BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 1999.**

**WHEREAS**, St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners is desirous of preserving the St. Augustine Amphitheater; and

**WHEREAS**, the Amphitheater is a facility which has served the St. Johns County community as a venue for cultural presentations since 1965 including hosting production of Florida's State Play "Cross & Sword" for 32 consecutive years; and

**WHEREAS**, the present owner of the Amphitheater facility is the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, St. Augustine Amphitheater, Inc., the operator of the Amphitheater since 1965, has expressed its intent to cancel its lease with the State of Florida and cease operations.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners wish to enter into an agreement with the State of Florida and the St. Augustine Amphitheater, Inc. to assume operations of the Amphitheater beginning November 1, 1999; and

Provide \$100,000 each year in general revenue funds for the Amphitheater for a two-year period, beginning with Fiscal Year 2000; and

Provide up to \$320,000 in Tourist Development Tax Funds over a four year period beginning with Fiscal Year 2000 for the production of events at the Amphitheater; and

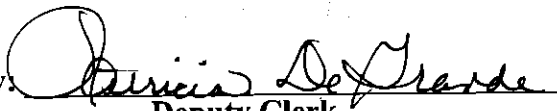
To establish a seven member Amphitheater Board of Directors as an advisory board to the Commission on matters of facility management and use.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, State of Florida, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1999.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By:   
Marc Jacalone, Chairman

**ATTEST:** Cheryl Strickland, Clerk

By:   
Deputy Clerk