

RESOLUTION 99 - 193

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENDORSING THE REVITALIZATION EFFORTS IN THE TOWN OF MARINELAND.

WHEREAS, a portion of the Town of Marineland lies in St. Johns County; and

WHEREAS, the town of Marineland is the beginning point of Scenic A1A in south St. Johns County; and

WHEREAS, St. Johns County is pursuing a scenic highway designation for State Road A-1-A.; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Marineland contributes to the rich ecological, historical and cultural resources of the region and to the scenic highway destination sought by the County; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Marineland is undergoing a revitalization effort with and emphasis on nature and heritage tourism, marine science and research, and public education; and

WHEREAS, the University of Florida is making significant investments in the region by developing a center for Marine Studies and a center for Marine Animal Health at the Whitney Laboratory in the Town of Marineland; and

WHEREAS, Marine Park of Flagler is developing educational, therapeutic, research and lodging facilities at Marineland; and

WHEREAS, the Marineland attraction is resolving its debt problems and transforming itself into an educational and historical/cultural venue; and

WHEREAS, the Town needs the support of the Florida Legislature in its revitalization efforts.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners hereby supports the Town of Marineland in its efforts, and requests the Florida Legislature to maintain the stability of the Town to allow the revitalization to go forward.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, State of Florida, this 21 day of December, 1999.

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

By: James L. Bryant
Chairman

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