RESOLUTION NO. 2004-319

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE TERMS, PROVISIONS, CONDITIONS, AND REQUIREMENTS OF AN ADOPTAPARK AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PONTE VEDRA BEACH PARK AT LIBRARY BOULEVARD, INC. AND ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY

WHEREAS, there is currently undeveloped land behind the Ponte Vedra Beach Library off Library Boulevard, which is located in St. Johns County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, such undeveloped land comprises roughly 4.2 acres, and includes a two-acre pond; and

WHEREAS, such undeveloped land could be developed and transformed into a Park; and

WHEREAS, the Ponte Vedra Beach Park At Library Boulevard, Inc. (PVBPALBI), has been formed and established for the purpose of raising funds for the design, development, and creation of a Park on the undeveloped land located behind the Ponte Vedra Beach Library; and

WHEREAS, the PVBPALBI wishes to assist the County in designing, developing, and creating a Park on the undeveloped land located behind the Ponte Vedra Beach library; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of both the County and PVBPALBI to create an intergenerational and passive Park for the community at-large, where children and adults will enjoy being outdoors in a natural environment; and

WHEREAS, under the initial concept of the Park, the Park will represent Florida's four (4) ecosystems including coastal dunes, upland hammock and a freshwater marsh, pond and rookery; and

WHEREAS, under the initial concept of the Park, the Park will include a hiking trail that will include art sculptures, mazes, and reflecting and viewing areas, in order for persons to observe, learn, and enjoy native plants and wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida ("Board") (on behalf of the County) has reviewed PVBPALBI's request to assist the County with raising funds for the design, development, and creation of the Park; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed scope, design, and purpose of the proposed Park; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the PVBPALBI's request, and determined that such request merits consideration, and serves a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, PVBPALBI is an exempt organization pursuant to the terms of IRC (Internal Revenue Code) 501(c)(3); and

WHEREAS, this Agreement sets forth the duration, terms and provisions, rights and responsibilities of both the County and PVBPALBI.

WHEREAS, the County has reviewed the terms, provisions, conditions, and requirements of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that accepting the terms of the Agreement, and entering into said Agreement will serve the interests of the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above Recitals are hereby incorporated into the body of this Resolution, and are adopted as Findings of Fact.

Section 2. The Board of County Commissioners hereby approves the terms, provisions, conditions, and requirements of an Adopt-A-Park agreement between Pontevedra Beach Park at Library Boulevard, Inc. and St. Johns County, Florida, and authorizing the County Administrator to execute the Agreement on behalf of the County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, this 20 day of 2004.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

Attest: Uneryl Strickland, Clerk

Deputy Clerk

By:

Kafen R. Stern, Chair

RENDITION DATE 10-21-04