

RESOLUTION NO. 2007- 126

A RESOLUTION OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUPPORTING STATE SPONSORED MOTION PICTURE, TELEVISION AND DIGITAL MEDIA PRODUCTION INCENTIVES BY ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

WHEREAS, St. Johns County, Florida has been an important motion picture production location since the earliest days of Florida filmmaking (“A Love of Long Ago,” 1912; “The Revenge of the Creatures,” 1955; “Lonely Hearts,” 2007); and

WHEREAS, St. Johns County offers motion picture production locations which cannot be found or duplicated in other parts of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Motion picture and television production provides significant economic benefits to the communities in which filming occurs; and

WHEREAS, Motion picture and television production affords a unique capability to positively impact tourism in the communities in which filming occurs; and

WHEREAS, Florida, historically the third largest film production center in the United States, now is facing increasing competition from other countries and U.S. states that have implemented aggressive film production incentive programs; and

WHEREAS, Florida is experiencing an across-the-board loss of motion picture and television production opportunities to countries and other U.S. states with film production incentive programs; and

WHEREAS, Motion picture and television production is an environmentally friendly and non-polluting industry; and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Augustine Florida, adopted Resolution No. 2007-05, on February 26, 2007, supporting motion picture, television and digital media production incentives;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida:

Section 1. The above recitals are incorporated by reference into the body of this Resolution, and such recitals are adopted as Findings of Fact.

Section 2. The Board supports State entertainment industry financial incentive legislation that is intended to reinvigorate motion picture and television production in the State of

Florida, as well as generate specific opportunities for motion picture and television production within St. Johns County.

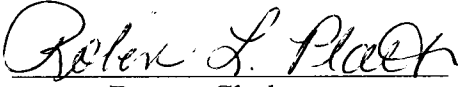
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, this 1st day of May, 2007.

ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: 
Ben Rich, Chairman

ATTEST: Cheryl Strickland, Clerk

Rendition Date: May 3, 2007

By: 
Deputy Clerk

