

RESOLUTION NO. 2009- 54

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, RESERVING \$275,000 OF TREE BANK FUNDS TOWARDS THE JOINT PURCHASE OF THE GUANA RIVER NORTH ACCESS WITH THE NORTH FLORIDA LAND TRUST IF THE NORTH FLORIDA LAND TRUST IS SUCCESSFUL IN RAISING THE BALANCE OF THE ASKING PRICE OF \$1,000,000.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, a public-private partnership is an effective approach in acquiring land during challenging fiscal times; and

WHEREAS, the site will provide for multiple uses to the community including a public access to the northern portion of Guana Lake, outdoor scientific classroom, and other outdoor and education activities; and

WHEREAS, the reservation of \$275,000 from County Tree Bank Funds is contingent on the North Florida Land Trust raising the balance of funds to acquire the property and bringing a contract the BCC could approve to jointly acquire the parcel; and

WHEREAS, the reserve of \$275,000 is from budgeted County Tree Bank Funds, fund number 1231-59927, which use of these funds for partial acquisition of the site will mitigate negative environmental effects of tree removal; and

WHEREAS, the \$275,000 reserve will expire on September 30, 2009. Any extension of this reservation will need to be reauthorized by the Board of County Commissioners via another resolution.

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

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 Chairman is authorized to execute the Resolution reserving \$275,000 of County Tree Bank Funds contingent on the NFLT raising the balance of the funds to acquire the site and bringing a contract the BCC could approve to jointly acquire the parcel.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, this 3rd day of March 2009.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Cyndi Stevenson
Cyndi Stevenson, Chair

ATTEST: Cheryl Strickland, Clerk

By: Pam Halterman
Deputy Clerk

RENDITION DATE 3/5/09