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RESOLUTION NO. 2015-375

RESOLUTION OF THE **BOARD OF COUNTY** ST. **COMMISSIONERS OF JOHNS** COUNTY, FLORIDA, GRANTING AN AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FOR HISTORIC PROPERTY LOCATED AT 72 SPANISH STREET, ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ST. JOHNS COUNTY ORDINANCE 97-61 AND SECTION 196.1997, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, St. Johns County Ordinance 97-61, known as the St. Johns County Historic Preservation Property Tax Exemption Ordinance, sets out the procedures for an ad valorem tax exemption to be given to an owner of historic property in St. Johns County in the amount of the assessed value of the improvements to be determined by the Property Appraiser's Office; and

WHEREAS, St. Johns County Ordinance 97-61, authorizes the Planning and Building Division of the City of St. Augustine to supervise and administer the rules and regulations pertaining to review of applications for property tax exemptions, and provides for review by the City's Historic Architectural Review Board (HARB) pursuant to Sections 196.1997 and 196.1998, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of St. Augustine passed Resolution No. 2015-43 on November 9, 2015 finding that the application for historic preservation property tax exemption for property located at 72 Spanish Street, St. Augustine, Florida had been properly reviewed and approved by the City's HARB, and designated that the property is an historic property; and

WHEREAS, the property located at 72 Spanish Street, St. Augustine, Florida is owned by ERT Asset Management, LLC, of St. Augustine, FL; and

WHEREAS, the applications and other documents submitted to the City and other government agencies were submitted primarily by Leslee Keys, as legal representative of ERT Asset Management, LLC; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds it appropriate and in the public interest to grant an historic property tax exemption to ERT Asset Management, LLC, the owner of the property at 72 Spanish S, St. Augustine, Florida, for a period of ten (10) years beginning January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2025, provided that the property owner complies with the Covenant to ensure protection of the historical and architectural integrity of the site.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS DOCUMENT IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY AS APPEARS ON RECORD IN ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL THIS 17 DAY OF Hecember 2015 ST. JOHNS COUNTY CLERK OF COURT

Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

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

- 1. The above 'Whereas' clauses are accepted as findings of fact and incorporated by reference herein.
- 2. The historic property is located at 72 Spanish Street, St. Augustine, Florida, and is owned by ERT Asset Management, LLC.
- 3. The historic property ad valorem tax exemption begins January 1, 2016, and expires December 31, 2025, for the property located at 72 Spanish Street, St. Augustine, Florida.
- 4. The historic property meets the requirements of Section 196.1997, Florida Statutes.
- 5. To the extent that there are typographical or administrative errors that do not change the tone, tenor, or concept of this resolution, this resolution may be revised without subsequent approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida this <u>15th</u> day of December 2015.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By:

Jeb S. Smith, Chair

ATTEST: Hunter S. Conrad, CLERK

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Deputy Clerk