

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA**

RESOLUTION NO _____

**AUTHORIZING PERMISSION TO APPLY FOR THE FY27-28 LOCAL
GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUEST (LGFR) FROM THE FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (FDEP) FOR
THE ST. LUCIE INLET MANAGEMENT PLAN IMPLEMENTATION
PROJECT UNDER CHAPTER 161, FLORIDA STATUTES**

WHEREAS, the Martin County Board of County Commissioners (“Board”) has made the following determinations of fact:

- A. The implementation of the St. Lucie Inlet Management Plan will provide increased levels of public safety, water quality within the Indian River Lagoon and St. Lucie Estuary, turtle nesting habitat, coastal structure and upland shore protection, hurricane protection, recreational beach use and maintain required navigable waterways; and
- B. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection/Martin County St. Lucie Inlet Management Plan does anticipate implementation of the Federal Project contained in the General Design Memorandum all of which are elements of the Management Plan; and
- C. The Board of County Commissioners, Martin County, Florida, and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Environmental Resource Permitting has adopted the St. Lucie Inlet Management Plan and desires to implement the recommendations contained therein; and
- D. Pursuant to Section 161.101, Florida Statutes, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Beaches and Coastal Systems, is accepting Grant Applications in an amount not exceeding 50% of the total local costs of such project; and
- E. The Board has determined that it is suitable to enter into an appropriate Agreement with FDEP and will commit to local match funding of the project in the amount of \$5,900,000.00; and
- F. The Board fully supports the proposed project, is willing to serve as the local sponsor, is committed to providing the local cost share and plans to approve the project funding as part of the County’s Capital Improvement Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners, Martin County, Florida:

- A. The Board hereby authorizes the Director of the Martin County Public Works Department, or designee, to sign and deliver to FDEP the Fiscal Year 2027-2028 LGFR grant application for funding assistance for the St. Lucie Inlet Management Plan Implementation Project.
- B. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Beaches and Coastal Systems, is requested to approve and support the maximum State funding allowed for the St. Lucie Inlet Management Plan grant application for Fiscal Year 2027/2028.
- C. Martin County will provide the local share in accordance with the State Legislature's appropriation.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2026

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

CAROLYN TIMMANN, CLERK OF THE
CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER

SARAH HEARD, CHAIR

APPROVED AS TO FORM & LEGAL
SUFFICIENCY:

ELYSSE ELDER, COUNTY ATTORNEY