

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

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**AUTHORIZING PERMISSION TO APPLY FOR THE FY 2027-2028 FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (FDEP) RESILIENT FLORIDA INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT
FOR THE BOY SCOUT ISLAND STABILIZATION PROJECT**

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

- A. Boy Scout Island, also known as M1/MC-1, is a Martin County-owned spoil island and natural shoreline asset located in the Indian River Lagoon near the St. Lucie Inlet that provides ecological, educational, and recreational benefits; and
- B. Boy Scout Island has experienced substantial long-term shoreline erosion and land loss from tidal currents, wave action, and sediment transport, and Martin County seeks to stabilize and restore the Island to improve its long-term resilience; and
- C. Martin County completed a vulnerability assessment pursuant to Section 380.093, Florida Statutes, through FDEP Resilient Florida Grant No. 22PLN13, which evaluated the County's vulnerability to sea level rise, tidal flooding, storm surge, rainfall, and compound flooding, including vulnerability of natural and shoreline assets; and
- D. Martin County has completed coastal engineering and numerical modeling for Boy Scout Island and identified a preferred stabilization alternative consisting of a hybrid living shoreline approach with low-crested breakwaters and associated habitat restoration measures designed to reduce wave energy, current velocities, sediment transport, and continued shoreline erosion; and
- E. Martin County intends to complete final design and permitting for the Boy Scout Island Stabilization Project using County funds and funding through the Florida Inland Navigation District Waterways Assistance Program, with the project anticipated to be construction-ready in Fiscal Year 2027-2028; and
- F. The FDEP Resilient Florida Program provides funding assistance for projects that address flooding and sea level rise and implements resilience projects consistent with Section 380.093, Florida Statutes; and
- G. Martin County intends to request \$400,000 in Resilient Florida Infrastructure Grant funding for construction of the Boy Scout Island Stabilization Project and has identified matching funds for construction, including an anticipated request for \$400,000 from the Florida Inland Navigation District Waterways Assistance Program; and
- H. The Board fully supports the proposed project, is willing to serve as the local sponsor, and is committed to providing the required local cost share and completing the project in accordance with applicable grant requirements.

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 Resilient Florida Infrastructure Grant application requesting \$400,000 in funding assistance for the Boy Scout Island Stabilization Project.
- B. The FDEP is requested to approve and support the Resilient Florida Infrastructure Grant application for the Boy Scout Island Stabilization Project for Fiscal Year 2027-2028.
- C. Martin County will provide or secure the required project cost share in accordance with the terms of any grant award and applicable requirements of Section 380.093, Florida Statutes.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 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