

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-166

A RESOLUTION OF THE INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN SUPPORT OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 6, ARTICLE VII, SECTION 4, ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION BEARING THE BALLOT TITLE OF "ASSESSMENT OF WORKING WATERFRONT BASED UPON CURRENT USE" ON THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Florida, as revised in 1968 and subsequently amended, created the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission to, among other things, examine the appropriateness of the tax structure of the state and examine constitutional limitations on taxation and expenditures at the state and local level and to hold public hearing throughout the State of Florida on its proposals for revisions to the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, in April, 2008, the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission adopted a resolution proposing a Constitutional Amendment to provide for the assessment of working waterfront property based on current use; and

WHEREAS, the Marine Industries Association of the Treasure Coast, Inc. requested that the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") adopt a resolution in support of Constitutional Amendment No. 6, Assessment of Working Waterfront Property based upon Current Use as the Constitutional Amendment will allow the marine industry to continue to provide public access waterfront properties for Floridians, tourist and future generations; and

WHEREAS, according to the Marine Industries Association of the Treasure Coast, Inc., the marine industry contributes over 18 billion dollars to the economy of Florida and provides 220,000 jobs; and

WHEREAS, if approved by the voters of the State of Florida at the November 4, 2008 General Election, the proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 6 will provide tax relief to working waterfront facilities locally and throughout the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2008, the Board approved the drafting of a resolution in support of Constitutional Amendment No. 6;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

1. The Board supports the efforts of the Marine Industries Association of the Treasure Coast, Inc. in connection with Constitutional Amendment No. 6.
2. The Board supports Constitutional Amendment No. 6 – Assessment of Working Waterfront Properties based on Current Use.

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3. The Board encourages the voters of Indian River County to become informed on the merits of Constitutional Amendment No. 6 and to vote "Yes" on Constitutional Amendment No. 6 in the November 4, 2008 General Election.

This Resolution was moved for adoption by Commissioner Wesley S. Davis, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Joseph E. Flescher, and, upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Chairman Sandra L. Bowden	<u>Aye</u>
Vice-Chairman Wesley S. Davis	<u>Aye</u>
Commissioner Joseph E. Flescher	<u>Aye</u>
Commissioner Peter D. O'Bryan	<u>Aye</u>
Commissioner Gary C. Wheeler	<u>Aye</u>

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 7th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2008.

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By Sandra L. Bowden
Sandra L. Bowden, Chairman

Attest: J. K. Barton, Clerk

By Atthava Adams
Deputy Clerk

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Marian E. Fell
Marian E. Fell, Senior Assistant County Attorney