

GULF COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION: 2017-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE GULF COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION, STATE OF FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE NATIVE WILDFLOWERS AND THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NATURAL BEAUTY AND QUALITY OF LIFE IN GULF COUNTY FOR ITS RESIDENTS AND VISITORS

WHEREAS, the natural beauty of native wildflowers in Gulf County can be enjoyed by everyone; can attract guests, and benefit commerce, environmental health, and public well-being; and

WHEREAS, enjoyment of native wildflowers is an occasion for all County and community leaders to unite for the benefit of both residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, many naturally beautiful species of native wildflowers, including Coreopsis, the state wildflower, as depicted upon the State Wildflower license tag, are already prominently displayed along Gulf County's state and county roadways; and

WHEREAS, increasing the visibility of native wildflowers in Gulf County is consistent with the vision of the Comprehensive Plan, and goals of many individuals, businesses, and community-based organizations; and

WHEREAS, the presence of native wildflowers is essential to the fitness of native pollinator species necessary for productive and profitable farms and forests; and

WHEREAS, in the spring of 1513, Juan Ponce de Leon named this beautiful place La Florida, Land of Flowers, because of the wealth of native wildflowers; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and attainable to experience the beauty of many more native wildflowers by reducing the frequency and extent of roadside mowing; and

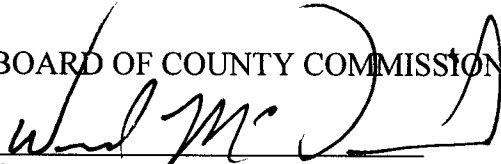
WHEREAS, on this day of April 25, 2017 the Gulf County Board of County Commission ("Commission") duly organized under the laws for the State of Florida has properly met and convened and unanimously resolved its unfettered support of the native wildflower species throughout Gulf County; and


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, do hereby commit and encourage others to commit to the smart management and practical conservation efforts of roadside native wildflowers on state and county roadways, and do hereby encourage County staff to seek cooperative efforts to partner and support the Florida Department of Transportation and adjoining property owners to plan,

promote and implement roadside management practices that will enhance the visibility and enjoyment of Florida native wildflowers.


THIS RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED this 25th day of April 2017.

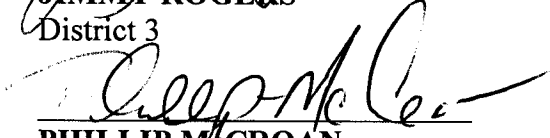
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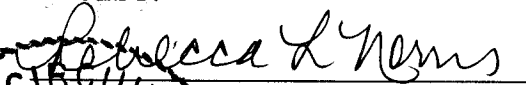

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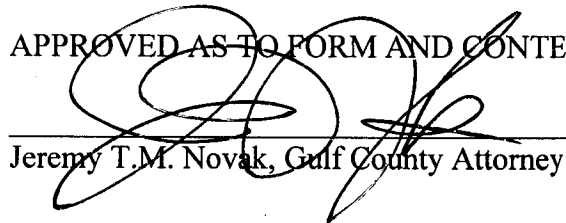

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ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT


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