

RESOLUTION R-90-77

A RESOLUTION OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
IN SUPPORT OF AN AMENDMENT OF SENATE NATURAL
RESOURCES COMMITTEE BILL 404 ESTABLISHING THE
NUMBER OF MEMBERS ON THE GOVERNING BOARDS OF
THE WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS, RESIDENCY OF
MEMBERS, TERMS OF OFFICE AND OTHER CONDITIONS
OF APPOINTMENT

WHEREAS, Senator Woodson-Howard, supported by Senator Crawford, has proposed to the Senate Natural Resources Committee an amendment to Bill 404 inserting the language: "Provided that the SWFWMD shall have one member from each county from which water is transferred for use outside its geographical boundaries in amounts in excess of water transferred into such county"; and,

WHEREAS, Manatee County is owner of a water supply, a treatment facility and transmission lines serving Manatee County, Sarasota County, the City of Palmetto, Anna Maria, Holmes Beach, Bradenton Beach and Longboat Key; and,

WHEREAS, Manatee County has expended some \$35 million for purchase of some 20,000 acres of land within the Manatee River Watershed in order to protect its current regional supply of water and provide new resources of water to meet future needs; and,

WHEREAS, Manatee County has been very active in conservation water including the reuse of 100% of effluent from its three wastewater treatment plants; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners and prior Boards have been very supportive of regional and state water programs and have actively participated in the deliberations and programs of the Peace River/Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority; and,

WHEREAS, Manatee County, the fourth largest regional supplier of water, has been taxed by the Southwest Florida Water Management District and has had no representation on its Governing Board; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment as written would guarantee a seat on the Governing Board to Manatee County, Hillsborough County, and Pasco County.

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NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, in public session this 17th day of April, 1990, by unanimous vote supports the Woodson-Howard amendment and solicits the support of Senators Crawford and Thurman and the Counties of Sarasota, Hillsborough and Pasco.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, with a quorum present and voting, this the 17th day of April, 1990.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: *Patricia H. Glass*
Chairman

ATTEST: R. B. SHORE
Clerk of the Circuit Court
R. B. Shore
SEAL
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA