

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROVIDING APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR PRESERVATION 2000 IN THE COMING YEAR AND THE REMAINING SIX YEARS OF THE PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, Manatee County citizens have advanced environmental land preservation efforts with voter approval to locally fund a county-wide preservation program; and

WHEREAS, Preservation 2000 is a ten-year program designed to acquire and, therefore, save Florida's best remaining natural land, and is the state's most comprehensive land protection program; and

WHEREAS, Florida's rate of population growth and conversion of natural areas continue to threaten our natural systems; and

WHEREAS, Preservation 2000 offers an opportunity for funding partnership between Manatee County and the State to protect environmentally sensitive lands and support the implementation of our county comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, Manatee County recognizes the importance of Preservation 2000 in enabling the implementation of conservation goals, growth management and comprehensive land use plans; and

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

- A. Urge the Legislature of the State of Florida to appropriate funding for Preservation 2000 for the upcoming year; and, to appropriate a permanent funding source for the remaining six (6) years of the Preservation 2000 program.
- B. Direct the County Clerk to furnish copies of this Resolution to the members of the Manatee County Legislative Delegation.
- C. Direct this Resolution become effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this the 8th day of February, 1994.

ATTEST: R. B. Shore
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: _____

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Stan Stephens, Chairman