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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, UNDER THE NATIONAL RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MULTI-USE TRAIL AT EMERSON POINT PARK.

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, under the National Recreational Trails Program provides funding to local governments for the development or maintenance of recreational trails; and

WHEREAS, the Emerson Point Management Plan, which guides the land use and management decisions, encourages the development of the property for appropriate forms of low impact recreation and public access; and

WHEREAS, Manatee County submitted a grant application for the development of a multi use recreational trail at Emerson Point Park that will provide additional low impact recreational opportunities for the residents and visitors of Manatee County, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection has notified Manatee County that the application has been recommended for funding.

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

1. The acceptance of a grant from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, for development of a multi use recreational trail at Emerson Point Park is hereby authorized.
2. Staff is hereby authorized to furnish all documentation required for submission to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.
3. The Chairman, or in her absence, the Vice Chairmen, are authorized to execute all appropriate documents with regards to the acceptance of this grant.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this the 10th day of June, 1997.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: *Tanicia M. Glass*
Chairman

ATTEST: R.B. SHORE
Clerk of the Circuit Court

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MANATEE COUNTY

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

June 10, 1997

Ms. Alexandra H. Weiss
Community Assistance Consultant
Bureau of Design and Recreation Services
Division of Recreation and Parks
Department of Environmental Protection
3900 Commonwealth Blvd.
Tallahassee, Fl 32399-3000

Dear Ms. Weiss:

Re: Emerson Point Conservation Trail (NRTFP Project No. T97005)

Manatee County is pleased to accept a National Recreational Trails Funding Program grant for the development of a multi-use trail at Emerson Point Park. This award will enable the County to implement low impact recreational opportunities on the site in accordance with the Emerson Point Management Plan and further the restoration efforts currently underway.

It is Manatee County's intent to utilize the entire grant amount (\$50,000) and our local match (\$50,000) toward implementation of this project. Any necessary pre-agreement expenditures, such as design, planning and/or permitting costs, which are considered administrative in nature, up to a maximum of 15% of the total project costs will be submitted for reimbursement.

We look forward to working with your department in completing this project. Should you require any additional information, please contact Mr. Charlie Hunsicker, Ecosystems Administrator at (941) 749-3070 ext. 6823 or Ms. Maggie Marr, Grants Coordinator, at (941) 745-3735.

Sincerely,

PATRICIA M. GLASS
Chairman