

R-11-072

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY FINDING THAT PROJECT GOLD BE APPROVED FOR AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE (EDI) GRANT FOR FISCAL YEARS 2011-2012 THROUGH 2015-2016, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Project GOLD will locate their company in Manatee County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Project GOLD is an employer that pays salaries that average 200 % of the Manatee average annual wage and benefits; and

WHEREAS, Project GOLD 's manufacturing and headquarters facility will locate in Manatee County and will create 36 jobs over the next five years; and

WHEREAS, expansion of the tax base and growth of higher paying jobs is vital to maintaining economic diversity and improving quality of life in Manatee County; and

WHEREAS, the Manatee County Board of County Commissioners is willing to participate financially in inducements required to convince Project GOLD to locate in Manatee County.

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

1. The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County hereby recommends Project GOLD for the EDI Grant Program.
2. If the company meets the local EDI Grant program criteria for creation of a minimum of five (5) quality jobs, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, agrees to participate financially by offering inducements to Project GOLD for expansion within Manatee County in amounts not to exceed:

FY 2011-2012	\$ 45,000
FY 2012-2013	\$ 30,000
FY 2013-2014	\$ 15,000
FY 2014-2015	\$ 9,000
FY 2015-2016	\$ 9,000
	<u>\$108,000</u>

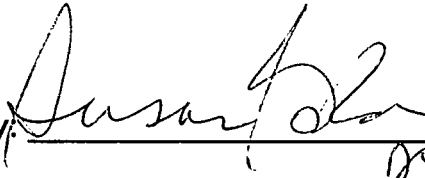
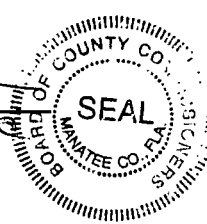
The total extent of Manatee County's participation shall not exceed \$108,000 for the EDI Grant. The participation shown above shall be subject to Project GOLD's employment requirements and annual appropriations in the County Budget each fiscal year.

3. The Board of County Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator or his designee to execute the EDI funding agreement for Project GOLD.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this the 15th day of March 2011.

**ATTEST: R. B. "Chips" SHORE
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT**

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

By: 


By: 
**Carol Whitmore
Chairman**