EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 76-63 NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED AN ACT PROHIBITING LITTERING, AND OVERNIGHT CAMPING ON ALL COUNTY RIGHTS OF WAY, ALL BEACHES AND RECREATION AREAS UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF NASSAU COUNTY. PROHIBITING THE USE OF GLASS CONTAINERS FOR BEVERAGE CONSUMPTION ON THE BEACHES AND ALL RECREATION AREAS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF NASSAU COUNTY. SPECIFYING THAT DOGS ON COUNTY BEACHES MUST BE ON LEASH. PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS. PROVIDING FOR FINES. PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the County Commission finds that the health and wellbeing of the citizens of Nassau County is being threatened by the littering of the recreation areas, beaches and road rights of ways of the unincorporated areas of Nassau County, and

WHEREAS, the County Commission further finds that the poor sanitation conditions caused by overnight camping in these areas is a threat to the health and well being of the citizens of Nassau County, and

WHEREAS, the County Commission further finds that the use of glass containers for beverage consumption, because of the harm caused by the material making up the container, is a threat to the health and well-being of the citizens of Nassau County, and

WHEREAS, the County Commission further finds that unleashed dogs on the beaches pose a threat to the citizens of Nassau County,

THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, that,

the County Commission hereby declares that an emergency exists and waives the notice requirements of Chapter 125.66 of the Florida Statutes and enacts into law this Ordinance.

<u>Section 1. DEFINITION</u>: Littering is the placing by any manner whatsoever upon the beaches, County rights-of-ways, or other recreational areas any material, whether organic or inorganic and allowing that material to remain.

Section 2. VIOLATIONS:

- (1) It shall be unlawful and it is hereby prohibited for any person or persons to litter any County right of way, recreational area or beaches of Nassau County. All litter shall be placed in the receptacles provided or carried away by the visitor to these areas. Litter is defined as any organic or inorganic matter.
- (2) It shall be unlawful and it is prohibited for any person or persons to camp overnight in any recreational area, County rightof-way or beach unless specifically allowed in those areas within the unincorporated areas of Nassau County.
- The use of glass containers for beverage consumption on the beaches and in all recreational areas of the unincorporated areas of Nassau County is hereby prohibited.
- (4) All dogs must be on leash while on the beaches of the unincorporated areas of Nassau County.

Section 3. FINES:

(1) Any violation of any portion of Section 2 of this Ordinance shall be a separate violation of this Ordinance and upon conviction in the County Court the violator may be fined up to \$500.00.

Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall be effective upon becoming law.

DONE AND ADOPTED in regular session this 27th day of April, 1976.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

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ATTEST: