RESOLUTION 85-15

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 2483.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners was advised by Congressman Charles Bennett of the proposed Bill creating Fort Caroline National Monument and Nassau County Ecological Preserve, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners had consistently apprised Congressman Bennett of their objections to the language of the proposed Bill, and

WHEREAS, the Board was never afforded an opportunity to appear before a full committee considering said bill, and

WHEREAS, the proposed Bill that was forwarded to the Board incorporated some changes but retained the language which is harmful to Nassau County, and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida has established it's own aquatic preserve which addresses the main points of the proposed legislation, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, as late as Monday, December 9, 1985, at 9:00 A.M., formally apprised Congressman Bennett's office of their continuing opposition and asked that the Bill be withdrawn, and

WHEREAS, Congressman Bennett has overridden the desires and wishes of Nassau County in enacting this Bill.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by The Board of County Commissioners that they:

- 1. Formally and officially oppose H.R. 2483 in it's present form.
- 2. Formally and officially request that Senator Lawton Chiles use his good office to insure that this Bill does not become law with the existing language.

3. Formally and officially request that Senator Lawton Chiles involve the County in any consideration of this Bill.

RESOLVED this 10th day of December, 1985.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

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JAMES E. TESTONE, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

BY:

T. J. GREESON

Its: Ex-Officio Clerk