

RESOLUTION 95-89

A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY, 1995 AS BEACH SAFETY MONTH

WHEREAS, ocean beaches serve to fulfill our needs for recreation and relaxation; and

WHEREAS, our public beaches provide our residents with the opportunity to appreciate, respect, and learn about the marine environment; and

WHEREAS, beach safety is a vital and necessary requirement to our enjoyment of the ocean and its beaches; and

WHEREAS, the basic feature of a beach safety program is a staff of professional, dedicated and skilled lifeguards; and

WHEREAS, professional beach lifeguards are dedicated public servants and are a paramount necessity for the protection of human life on beaches; and

WHEREAS, the United States Lifesaving Association, a professional organization whose general membership is comprised of lifeguard and water rescue services throughout the country, is recognized as the authority in the field of open water and ocean lifeguarding and of beach management in the nation, and

WHEREAS, the main goals of the United States Lifesaving Association are to establish the highest standards and certification of open water and ocean lifeguards, to promote and develop the finest methods of lifesaving techniques and to effectively educate the public on imperative aspects of beach and water safety; and

WHEREAS, in the State of Florida, drowning remains the number one killer of children between the ages of one and two years old, and accidental drowning remains the third worst killer in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the human and economic costs of drowning and near-drowning are extremely high and totally unacceptable in our state; and

WHEREAS, research by the United States Lifesaving Association has produced practical rescue and education techniques that are beneficial to the public and the Emergency Medical Systems; and

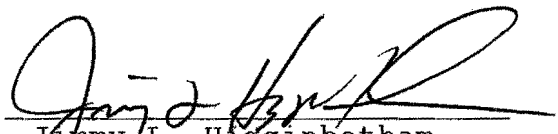
NOW, THEREFORE, the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners does hereby proclaim May, 1995 as BEACH SAFETY MONTH in Nassau County and urging all residents and visitors using the beaches to swim in the vicinity of and under the watchful eye of

our professional, dedicated lifeguards. Also urging that residents refrain from drinking alcoholic beverages before swimming and take time to learn how to identify dangerous water conditions before entering the water.

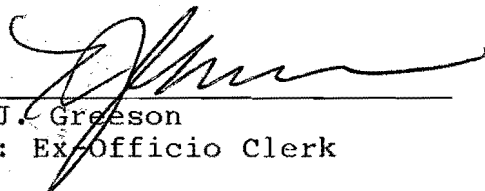
ADOPTED THIS 24th day of April, 1995.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

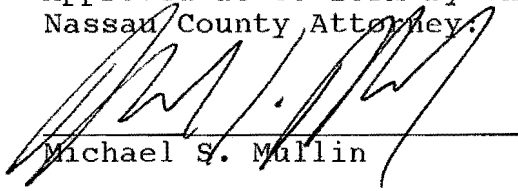
BY:


Jimmy L. Higginbotham
Its: Chairman

ATTEST:


T. J. Greeson
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the
Nassau County Attorney.


Michael S. Mullin