

RESOLUTION NO. 96 - 77

**A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1996, AS
"AMELIA ISLAND MUSEUM OF HISTORY" MONTH**

WHEREAS, the Amelia Island Museum of History was founded in 1986; and

WHEREAS, the Museum's mission is "to educate with pleasure all adults and students that can be reached in the history of Fernandina Beach and Amelia Island as it is interpreted through architecture, archaeology, nineteenth century journalism and photography, primary research materials and artifacts and the human history that comprise our island's rich legacy"; and

WHEREAS, over 100,000 visitors have toured the building, attended a program, researched in the library, or otherwise benefitted from this invaluable resource; and

WHEREAS, the Amelia Island Museum of History earned the Florida Preservation Award, 1990, from the Florida Trust For Historic Preservation, for the "meritorious achievement" in adaptive reuse of the abandoned Nassau County Jail; and

WHEREAS, Deon L. Jaccard, the Director of the Amelia Island Museum of History, was recognized by Governor Lawton Chiles in 1994 with the "Florida's Finest" Award, given in recognition of citizens who make their communities significantly better through dedication, hard work, and good deeds; and

WHEREAS, the Amelia Island Museum of History provides curriculum-enhancing programs for Nassau County fourth, fifth, and

sixth grade students, with field trips lectures, and museum experiences. Over 1,300 County school students enjoyed visits in 1995. Expansion is planned for additional grades. All funding is raised by the museum, offering the programs to the local schools cost-free; and


WHEREAS, in this anniversary month, the Amelia Island Museum of History will welcome its 100,000th visitor, providing rewarding experiences for local and out of town guests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 22nd day of April, 1996 by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida as follows:

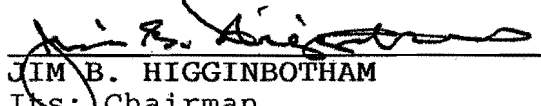
1. To proclaim the month of April, 1996 as *AMELIA ISLAND MUSEUM OF HISTORY* month.
2. To commend Director Deon L. Jaccard and all the staff and volunteers to enable the Amelia Island Museum of History to provide the services for the residents and visitors to Nassau County.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA



T. J. GREESON
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk



JIM B. HIGGINBOTHAM
Its: Chairman

Approved as to form by the
Nassau County Attorney:



MICHAEL S. MULLIN