RESOLUTION NO. 98-101

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE PLACEMENT OF THE HOME OF MRS. ERNESTINE SMITH AT AMERICAN BEACH ON THE NATIONAL REGISTRY FOR HISTORIC PLACES

WHEREAS, American Beach was founded in 1935 and is the first stop on Florida's Black Heritage Trail; and

WHEREAS, the Afro-American Life Insurance Company was Florida's first insurance company, black or white; and

WHEREAS, American Beach resident Ernestine Smith's grandfather was one of the seven founders of the Afro-American Life Insurance Company and her uncle Mr. Ervin was an officer; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Smith's beach home is now listed on the National Registry for Historic Places as of April 23, 1998.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 22nd day of June, 1998 by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, that:

Nassau County joins in celebrating the Historical and Cultural significance of Mrs. Smith's Home at American Beach, which now enriches all of Historical Amelia Island and Nassau County, Florida.

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

CHRIS KIRKLAND Its: Chairman

ATTEST:

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Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the Nassau County Attorney:

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