## **RESOLUTION 2002 - 028**

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE NASSAU COUNTY CIVILITY CODE GOVERNING PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE NASSAU COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

WHEREAS, the public has an absolute right to be heard and participate in meetings of the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the citizens of the County that all Board meetings be conducted in an orderly and civil manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this <u>28th</u> day of January, 2002, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, as follows:

1. All electronic devices, including cell phones and pagers, shall be turned off or otherwise silenced.

2. Prolonged conversations shall be conducted outside Commission Chambers.

3. Clapping, whistling, heckling, gesturing, loud conversations, or other disruptive behavior is prohibited.

4. Only those individuals who have submitted speaker cards and who have been recognized by the Chairman may address comments to the Board.

5. Comments at public hearings shall be limited to the subject being considered by the Board.

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6. Comments at "Open to the Public" shall be directed to County issues.

7. All public comments shall avoid personal attacks, abusive language, and redundancy.

8. No person attending a board meeting is to harass, annoy, or otherwise disturb any other person in the room.

9. Time limits for "Open to Public" portion shall be limited to three (3) minutes.

10. Time limits for public hearings shall be established by the Board of County Commissioners at such meetings.

11. Any member of the public whose behavior is disruptive and violates the Nassau County Civility Code is subject to removal from the Board meeting by the Bailiff and such other action as may be appropriate.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Its: Chairman

ATTEST:

J. (M. "CHIP" OXMEY, JR. Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the Nassau County Attorney

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