## RESOLUTION NO. 2003-68

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA IN SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF A NORTHEAST FLORIDA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Northeast Florida region is one of three of the eleven regional planning regions in the State of Florida that has not been designated an Economic Development District by the Economic Development Administration; and

WHEREAS, designation as an Economic Development District would benefit and enhance regional and local economic development efforts throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, the Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council has drafted a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for the purpose of pursuing designation of Northeast Florida as an Economic Development District; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County has been actively involved in the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee and participated in the development of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy; and

WHEREAS, the overall focus of the Comprehensive Economic

Development Strategy is job creation/retention and

diversification of the local economy; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County recognizes the need to support and promote economic development through local and regional initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County recognizes that long range economic development planning is mutually beneficial to the County, its

subsidiaries, and surrounding counties in the northeast Florida region.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, this  $14^{\rm th}$  day of May, 2003 as follows:

- Nassau County supports the designation of the northeast Florida region as an Economic Development District by EDA.
- 2. Nassau County commits its support for the economic development activities of the northeast Florida Economic Development District when it is designated.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

VICKIE SAMUS

Its: Chairman

ATTEST:

J M. "CHIP" OXLEY, JR.

Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the Nassau County Attorney:

MICHAEL S. MULLIN