RESOLUTION NO. 2009-49

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA URGING ALL CITIZENS TO "BUY NASSAU"

WHEREAS, the Amelia Island-Fernandina Beach-Yulee Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Nassau County Chamber of Commerce together are the largest business advocacy organization in Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, a balance of national, regional and local business maintains the Nassau County economy; and

WHEREAS, by making purchases locally, local residents strengthen our local economy; and

WHEREAS, locally owned Nassau County businesses together are the county's largest employer; and

WHEREAS, money spent locally helps finance governmental services we've all come to expect: police and fire protection, road maintenance, libraries, parks and recreation; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County businesses are the foundation of our community. Business owners enrich our county with their talents, skills, leadership and business management in areas as diverse as advertising, agriculture, arts, banking, construction, cooking, education, entertainment, fishing, health care, hospitality, insurance, medicine, recreation, trucking and tourism; and

WHEREAS, local merchants provide a wide range of goods and services to Nassau County consumers. They also offer their customers more product choices, personal service and attention to detail; and

WHEREAS, spending money locally directly impacts the character of Nassau County. Local shops give our community a unique flavor; and

WHEREAS, we want our business community to reflect Nassau County's friendliness and familiarity. The people we do business with are our friends, neighbors and fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, businesses in Nassau County give generously to local charitable organizations, furthering the resources and services available to local residents. The contributions made by local businesses and their employees supplement limited resources and ensure that service providers are able to continue providing critical programs to our community, thus building a better and more caring community for all.

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, this <u>11th</u> day of <u>March</u>, 2009, that:

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The Nassau County Board of County Commissioners encourages the residents of Nassau County to maximize their support of local business and calls upon the citizens of Nassau County to "Buy Nassau."

The Clerk shall provide copies of this Resolution to the Amelia Island-Fernandina Beach-Yulee Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Nassau County Chamber of Commerce.

> BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS , NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

BARRY V. HOLLOWAY

Its: Chairman

Attestation: Only to Authenticity As To Chairman's Signature:

Attest as to Chairman's Signature -

JOHN A. CRAWFORD Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

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Approved as to form by the Nassau County Attorney:

DAVID A. HALLMAN

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