RESOLUTION NO. 2011-65

A RESOLUTION HONORING JAMES SAMUEL YOUNG ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER NEARLY EIGHT OUTSTANDING YEARS WITH THE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, James Samuel Young began his employment with Nassau County on July 7, 2003 as the Deputy Fire Chief; and

WHEREAS, earning an Associate in Science Degree in Emergency Medical Services and Technology afforded James Samuel Young the opportunity to teach Paramedic School, and in 2003 he began teaching at Florida State Community College where his work as an instructor has educated future Paramedics and Emergency Medical Services Technicians; and

WHEREAS, James Samuel Young served as a member of the First Coast Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council and the Medical Review Committee in 2003, thus helping to revise and update Incident Management Systems to coincide with National Incident Management Systems protocols and processes; and

WHEREAS, in 2003, under the leadership of James Samuel Young as Deputy Fire Chief, Nassau County Fire Rescue began revising the Emergency Medical Services Standard Operating Procedures to ensure the highest level of pre-hospital services possible are provided to victims needing prompt medical attention; and

WHEREAS, James Samuel Young became a member of the Florida Fire Chief's Association in 2003, and he went on to become the Nassau County Emergency Medical Services Section Liaison and Fire Liaison for the Association; while serving as the Liaison, he worked with the Statewide Emergency Response Plan to provide coordination of fire based EMS resources for statewide emergency responses; and

WHEREAS, from January 2006 to October 2006, James Samuel Young served as the County Communications Project Manager and, while serving in this position, allowed him to coordinate the installation and management of a new state of the art radio system that increased safety for the County's emergency officials; and

WHEREAS, James Samuel Young began his service on the Child Death Review Committee for Northeast Florida in 2007, and he has worked with the Committee to reduce preventable child deaths, and to provide policy and program recommendations to improve child health, safety, and protection; and

WHEREAS, James Samuel Young began serving on the Chest Pain Steering Committee with Baptist Health Care Systems in 2008 to review policies, procedures, and the processes necessary to expedite the identification and care of victims suffering from acute coronary syndromes; and

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WHEREAS, from 2008 – 2009, James Samuel Young lead the Northeast Florida

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Region in perfecting the medical treatment known as field induced Therapeutic Hypothermia, which is used to lower a patient's body temperature during sudden cardiac arrest; and

WHEREAS, James Samuel Young was appointed as the Interim Fire Chief in November 2009; under his leadership, Nassau County Fire Rescue was recognized by Shand's Healthcare Systems for providing the highest level of care for ST Elevation Myocardial Infarction patients; and

WHEREAS, James Samuel Young began serving on the Identify Theft Prevention Program Committee in June 2009, and he played a vital role in helping the County to identify a red flag system that would alert employees when new or existing accounts are opened using false information; and

WHEREAS, in April 2010, James Samuel Young was promoted to Nassau County Fire Chief and is one of the finest public officials to serve Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, on April 4, 2011, James Samuel Young announced his retirement effective May 2, 2011; and

WHEREAS, James Samuel Young will be deeply missed by those who had the honor to work with him, as well as the citizens of Nassau County who he worked so hard to protect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this 25th day of April, 2011, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida as follows:

- The Board publicly commends James Samuel Young for nearly eight years of outstanding service dedicated to the citizens of Nassau County.
- The Board acknowledges James Samuel Young for his outstanding service to the Board of County Commissioners, as well as those who had the privilege to work with him.
- The Board, on behalf of all the citizens of Nassau County, extends their sincere appreciation to James Samuel Young for all he has done to make this a great County.

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ATTEST AS TO CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE:

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