## RESOLUTION NO. 2013-58

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA REQUESTING ASSISTANCE FROM THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR RICK SCOTT FOR ASSISTANCE WITH FUNDING FOR A NASSAU COUNTY SHERIFF'S ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

WHEREAS, funding is necessary in order to replace the current Nassau County Sheriff's office facility, which was built in the year 1974 as a jail, and was not designed as an administrative building; and

WHEREAS, over the past decade the Nassau County Sheriff's Office building has experienced roof failure, mold degradation, rodent infestation and major interior renovations to ease overcrowding and air quality issues in several of the occupied buildings; and

WHEREAS, the building is in such deteriorating condition that it provides poor working conditions for the employees of the Nassau County Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Sheriff's Office serves a critical role for Homeland Security matters and plays an essential role in the County's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, Nassau County occupies a unique geographic location, with the St. Mary's River being the entryway for the United States Navy's submarine base at Kings Bay, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, there is evidence, records, firearms, ammunition and recovered property stored in small portable buildings and these items need a proper and secure site to store them; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida has determined that the minimum cost to build an adequate facility to house these law enforcement

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functions will be \$12 - \$15 million, which represents approximately one third of the annual ad

valorem revenue of the County; and

WHEREAS, despite the monumental size of this much needed expenditure, the Board of

County Commissioners is committed to fund the project; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida is seeking

appropriations from state funding from the Florida Legislature to be used to aid with the

planning, design, and construction of a Nassau County Sheriff's Administration Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida

respectfully requests Governor Rick Scott to sign into law a bill that would provide appropriate

funding to aid in the planning, design, and construction of a Nassau County Sheriff's

Administration Facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of

Nassau County, Florida that:

The Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, respectfully requests that the Florida Legislature appropriate funding that would provide adequate funding to aid in the planning, design, and construction of a Nassau

adequate funding to aid in the planning, design, and construction of a Nassau County Sheriff's Administration Facility and respectfully requests Governor Rick

Scott to sign into law a bill approving the appropriation of these funds.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

DANIEL B. LEEPER

Its: Chairman

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Attest as to Chairman's signature:

JOHN A. CRAWFORD Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the Nassau

County Attorney:

DAVID A. HALLMAN