## **RESOLUTION NO. 2015-66**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, COMMENDING THE ST. MARYS RIVER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ON BEING SELECTED FOR THE 2014 CONFLUENCE AWARD.

WHEREAS, there are 70,150 miles of streams and rivers in Georgia providing fresh drinking water to the residents, as well as offering great recreational opportunities such as canoeing and fishing; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the people to help protect the State's precious resources; and

WHEREAS, Rivers Alive targets all waterways in the State including streams, rivers, lakes, beaches and wetlands, for annual cleanup events; and

WHEREAS, Rivers Alive collaborates with various non-profit organizations, corporations, community and civic groups, school groups, faithbased groups, individuals, and governmental agencies; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, there were 275 Rivers Alive cleanup events involving over 28,000 citizens who removed 689,000 pounds of trash and debris from the waterways; and

WHEREAS, the St. Marys River Management Committee is an intergovernmental entity of elected and appointed members from four counties along the St. Marys River including Charlton, Camden, Nassau and Baker Counties; and

WHEREAS, the St. Marys River Management Committee has established twelve (12) priorities for protecting the scenic beauty and ecological health of the St. Marys River, including periodic river cleanup

events; and

WHEREAS, the St. Marys River Management Committee has been elected by Rivers Alive as the 2014 Confluence Award recipient due to the number of successful cleanup events they hosted, the number volunteers recruited, and the overall volume of trash removed from the St. Marys River; and

WHEREAS, thanks to the St. Marys River Management Committee, citizens in Florida and Georgia have clean drinking water and can enjoy the scenic beauty of the St. Marys River.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May,
2015, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, as follows:

- 1. The Board of County Commissioners hereby commends the St. Marys River Management Committee for being selected for the 2014 Confluence Award recipient.
- 2. On behalf of the citizens of Nassau County, the Board hereby expresses their sincere gratitude to the St. Marys River Management Committee for all they have done to maintain the cleanliness and scenic beauty of the St. Marys River.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

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ATTESTATION: Only to Authenticity as to the Chairman's Signature:

Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the Nassau County Attorney: