RESOLUTION NO. 2021- 150

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE NORTHEAST FLORIDA FAIR ASSOCIATION'S AGRICULTURE EDUCATION AND PROMOTION FACILITY REQUEST FOR FUNDING, AND ACKNOWLEDGING THEIR BENEFIT TO NASSAU COUNTY RESIDENTS.

WHEREAS, the Northeast Florida Fair Association is a non-profit organization that has sponsored the Northeast Florida Fair for the past 73 years; and

WHEREAS, the Northeast Florida Fair takes place annually in October at the fairgrounds located on U.S. Highway 1 in Callahan, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Northeast Florida Fair is an educational, entertaining and agricultural related event that benefits a myriad of programs and businesses related to livestock, poultry, sheep, swine, and horses, including the 4-H Program and the Future Farmers of America; and

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners supports the mission of the Northeast Florida Fair Association as the annual fair encourages enthusiasm from our youth to celebrate Florida's agricultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Northeast Florida Fair Association relies on County and State Capital Funding for making repairs to current facilities and for building new facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners acknowledges the Northeast Florida Fair Association's benefit to the public and supports their efforts to make improvements to existing facilities at the fairgrounds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, this <u>26th</u> day of <u>July</u>, 2021 that:

1. The Board of County Commissioners hereby acknowledges the Northeast Florida Fair Association's benefit to the citizens of Nassau County, Florida.

- 2. The Board supports the Northeast Florida Fair Association's request for State Funding from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for an Agriculture Education and Promotion Facility Request for Funding for its fairground improvement project and verifies that facilities at the fairgrounds are beneficial to the citizens of Nassau County.
- 3. The Northeast Florida Fair Association's project serves a public purpose.
- 4. The Board of County Commissioners acknowledges that it will incur no costs relative to the completion of the Northeast Florida Fair Association's proposed project.
- 5. The Board hereby proclaims that a Resolution will be adopted each year proclaiming October as Nassau County Fair Month.
- 6. The Clerk to the Board shall deliver a certified copy of this Resolution to the Northeast Florida Fair Association.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

THOMAS R. FORD

Its: Chairman

ATTEST AS TO CHAIRMAN'S

SIGNATURE.

JOHN A JCRAWFORD

Approved as to form by the Massau County Attorney:

MICHAELS MULTIN