A RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO 19 ST PASS BEVERAGE CONTAINER DEPOSIT LEGISLATION

BOARD MEETING

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WHEREAS, the county of Nassau actively supports policies which promote and protect the well being of its citizens including, specifically such areas as beautification, safety, sanitation, conservation of energy, salvaging valuable resources, and providing monetary savings where possible; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Nassau County believe that throwaway beverage containers are unsightly, unnecessarily hazardous, grossly wasteful of energy, materials and money, and contribute nothing to quality of living in the community; and

WHEREAS, beverage container legislation will be introduced in the 1985 legislative session in Florida which is comparable to the container legislation passed and enjoyed by Oregon, Vermont, Maine, Michigan, Iowa, Connecticut, Delaware, Massachusetts and New York which requires beverage container deposits and discourages unwanted throwaways; and

WHEREAS, studies and experience with the new beverage container deposit legislation procedures show that more jobs are created with accompanying lower beverage costs because of repeated use of reusable containers, notwithstanding the anti-bottle bill campaign statements by certain industry organizations and individuals; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of the county of Nassau believe that the time is here to act, on a statewide basis, on the matter of eliminating the ugly unhealthful, expensive and wasteful practice of using throwaway beverage containers.

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

Section 1: The Commission strongly urges the State Legislators in Tallahassee to pass, at the earliest possible date, beverage container legislation.

Section 2: This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

DATED this 9th day of Upril , 1985.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: John F. Cl

As Its Chairman

ATTEST: