

NASSAU COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 94-76

A RESOLUTION OPPOSING PROPOSALS BEFORE THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO CREATE A PERFORMANCE-BASED INCENTIVE-FUNDING VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION THROUGH THE USE OF JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT FUNDS

WHEREAS, at both the National and State level, changes are being discussed which would affect the delivery of training and employment services to the people of Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, for the past ten years, Nassau County has participated with a Consortium of other counties in the State of Florida to deliver training and employment services to the residents of Baker, Clay, Nassau, Putnam and St. Johns Counties, which have been funded through the Job Training Partnership Act; and

WHEREAS, the above Consortium of local elected officials have formed a partnership, called the Northeast Florida Private Industry Council, with local business, education and civic leaders to manage and oversee the delivery of local training and employment services; and

WHEREAS, the legislation pending at the national level places the option of local participation in the hands of the Governor of Florida;

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

The Governor of the State of Florida should immediately declare that the following premises are important in both National and State Legislation and support those concepts with the Congressional Delegation from the State of Florida, as well as the Legislature within the State of Florida:

- Local Management and Control of the Training and Employment system must be continued. Such management and control is best placed at the local level through the local elected officials who shall forge partnerships with business, education and other community groups to manage and oversee those efforts; and*
- Equity of services to those laid off from employment and those who have been excluded from labor force participation be a cornerstone of the national legislation; and*
- Collaboration of local partners is essential to the teambuilding which is required to reshape the Training and Employment system of the Nation; and*

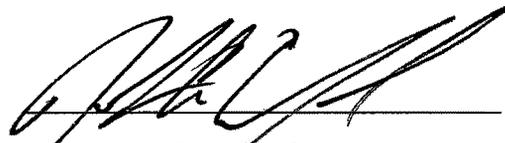
- *In support of these positions, the Governor of the State of Florida should immediately designate the Northeast Florida Private Industry Council as the leader for future workforce investment and Training and Employment strategies within Baker, Clay, Nassau, Putnam and St. Johns Counties; and*
- *Other Private Industry Councils in the State of Florida, provided that they have the backing of their local elected officials, also be granted a similar leadership role for their respective service delivery areas.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, for the reasons stated in this Resolution, believes that any legislation which proposes redirecting Job Training Partnership Act funds to sponsor other government-created programs is duplication of a proven, existing delivery system known as the Private Industry Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County unanimously opposes State legislation currently being considered which removes local management and control of workforce investment and Training and Employment systems by placing it under the operation and control of the Department of Education.

Unanimously adopted by the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners in regular meeting this 28th day of February, 1994.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA**



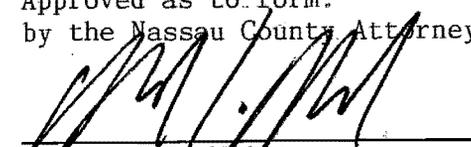
John A. Crawford
Its: Chairman

ATTEST:



T. J. "Jerry" Greeson
Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form:
by the Nassau County Attorney:



Michael S. Mullin