

RESOLUTION 2000 - 70

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HONORING THE VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II AND
ENDORISING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MONUMENT IN THE
STATE OF FLORIDA FOR WORLD WAR II VETERANS.

WHEREAS, World War II veterans in and of Florida have
reached an age where their ranks are being rapidly depleted
by the ravages of age and illness; and

WHEREAS, today almost 600,000 World War II veterans
proudly call Florida home; and

WHEREAS, some 248,000 of these Florida veterans
answered the call of the President of the United States of
America to defend democracy and the State of Florida from
the horrors of the Axis Powers on December 7, 1941; and

WHEREAS, three thousand one hundred seventy four
(3,174) of those 248,000 who served in the United States
Armed Forces paid the ultimate sacrifice during World War
II and lost their lives defending freedom; and

WHEREAS, the Florida State Legislature enacted, and
the Governor signed, the **Florida World War II Veterans
Memorial and the Florida World War II Veterans Memorial
Matching Funds Acts of 1999**; and

WHEREAS, the legislative acts provided that the
Florida Commission on Veterans' Affairs in cooperation with
the Florida Capitol Center Planning Commission may consider

the appropriate design for the Memorial and solicit design proposals from the public; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Veteran Affairs has created the Florida World War II Veterans Memorial Matching Trust Fund as directed in the cited legislation; and

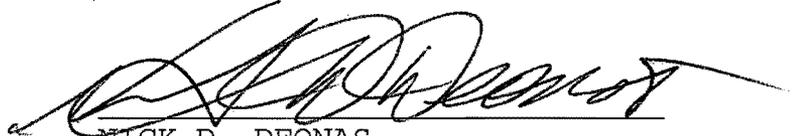
WHEREAS, substantial funding is required to complete the Florida World War II Veterans Memorial design, and implement the overall project within the calendar period allocated in the cited legislation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED this 17TH day of April, 2000, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, as follows:

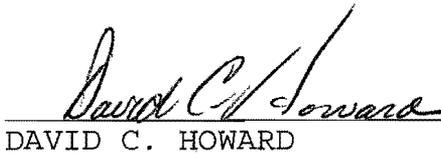
1. The Board strongly supports the purposes of the **Florida World War II Veterans Memorial Act** and requests expedited funding activities, including joint activities within and between the membership and participation as individuals and as members of this Board to insure

completion of the Memorial at the earliest possible date.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA



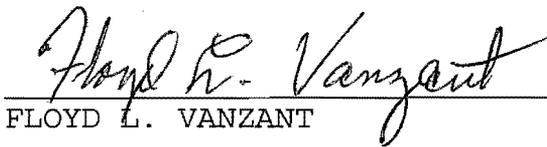
NICK D. DEONAS
Its: Chairman



DAVID C. HOWARD



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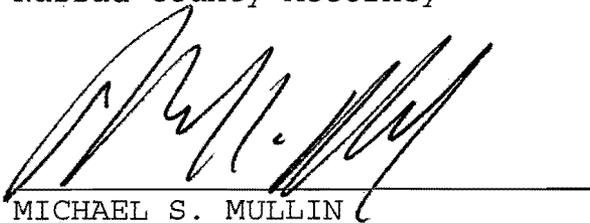
MARIANNE MARSHALL

ATTEST:



J. M. "CHIP" OXLEY, JR.
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the
Nassau County Attorney



MICHAEL S. MULLIN

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