

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014 - 87**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, HONORING JAMES BENNETT ON HIS  
RETIREMENT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION.**

**WHEREAS**, James Bennett began his employment with the Florida Department of Transportation on May 24, 1991 as a District Planning Manager for District Two; and

**WHEREAS**, James Bennett currently serves as the Urban Transportation Development Manager, and is responsible for transportation infrastructure, a critical component for economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, James Bennett has been instrumental in making Amelia Island the premier location in Northeast Florida to walk and cycle via construction of the Amelia Island Trail, the addition of marked bicycle lanes on coastal SR200/A1A, the programming of the Simmons Road Trail, securing connectivity to regional and national trails, and many other operational improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to paved bike lanes and paved multi-use trails, James Bennett secured federal transportation enhancement funds used for the Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Project in which sidewalks were constructed connecting Lime Street from State Road 200/A1A (Eighth Street) to County Road 105A (South 14<sup>th</sup> Street); South 11<sup>th</sup> Street from Lime Street to Jasmine Street; and Jasmine Street from the Southside Elementary School entrance to Isle of Palms Lane; thus improving the safety of students walking to and from Southside Elementary School; and

**WHEREAS**, James Bennett has always been helpful, responsive, and supportive in all of the county roadway construction funding and planning projects; and

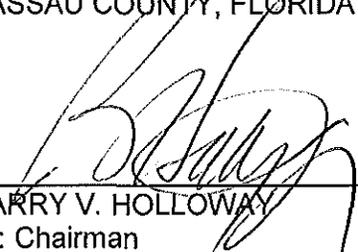
**WHEREAS**, James Bennett announced his retirement effective June 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Nassau County will forever be indebted to James Bennett for making Nassau County a safe place to walk, run, or bicycle.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, this 9th day of June, 2014, that:

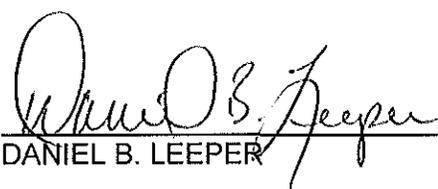
1. The Board publicly recognizes and commends James Bennett for his dedication in serving Nassau County as the Urban Transportation Development Manager for the Florida Department of Transportation, District Two.
2. The Board acknowledges James Bennett for his outstanding service to the Board of County Commissioners through his work with the Florida Department of Transportation.
3. The Board, on behalf of all the citizens of Nassau County, extends their sincere appreciation to James Bennett for all he has done to contribute to the safety of Nassau County citizens.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA



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BARRY V. HOLLOWAY  
Its: Chairman



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DANIEL B. LEEPER



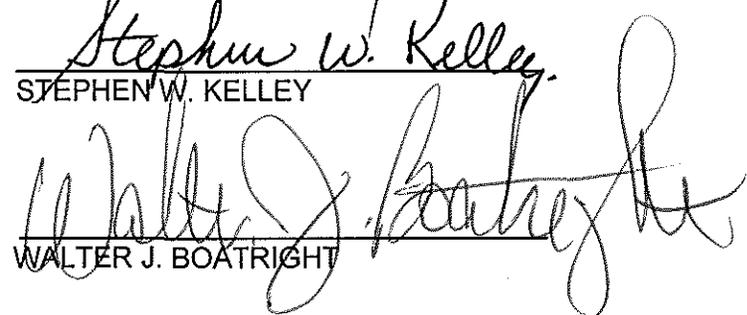
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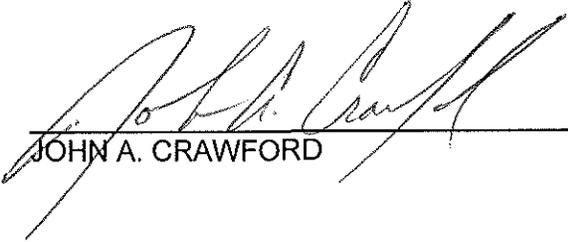
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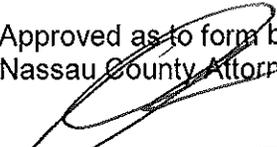
ATTESTATION: Only to Authenticity  
as to Chairman's Signature:



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JOHN A. CRAWFORD

Approved as to form by the  
Nassau County Attorney:



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DAVID A. HALLMAN