

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-90**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, HONORING THE LIFE OF JOAN D. BEAN.**

**WHEREAS**, Joan D. Bean was born in Bowling Green, Kentucky on March 25, 1926; and

**WHEREAS**, Joan D. Bean attended college at Western Kentucky State College where she received a degree in education; and

**WHEREAS**, it was at Western Kentucky State College that she met her future husband, Lewis “Red” Bean, a fellow student who also graduated with a degree in education; and

**WHEREAS**, the two married in December 1947 and began a family. In 1950, Lewis “Red” Bean accepted a teaching position at Fernandina Beach High School so he relocated his wife, Joan, and their three small children; and

**WHEREAS**, Joan D. Bean and her husband went on to have nine children together, and although that kept her busy, it didn’t keep her from becoming a pillar in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Joan D. Bean was a life-long lover of dance and in 1954, she opened Bean School of Dance in downtown Fernandina Beach; and

**WHEREAS**, Joan D. Bean was a community activist who often appeared at City Commission Meetings to advocate on behalf of the downtown business owners and to encourage preservation of Fernandina Beach; and

**WHEREAS**, Joan D. Bean was a Chamber Member and was active in St. Michael Catholic Churches' Guild and the Amelia Island Museum of History; and

**WHEREAS**, Joan D. Bean remained active, even as she entered into her 90s. She could always be found at the Atlantic Recreation Center's monthly senior meet and greet, water aerobics, and was a celebrity in many community parades and events; and

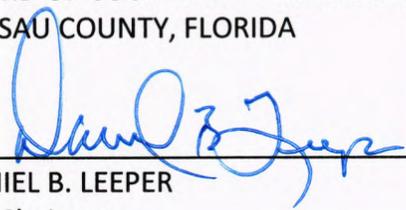
**WHEREAS**, Joan D. Bean passed away at her residence on Wednesday, April 22, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Joan D. Bean will always be remembered for her beautiful smile and her ability to make everyone feel special.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020 that:

1. The Board extends their deepest sympathy to Joan D. Bean's friends and family.
2. The Board urges residents of Nassau County to keep the Bean family in their prayers as they grieve the loss of Joan D. Bean.

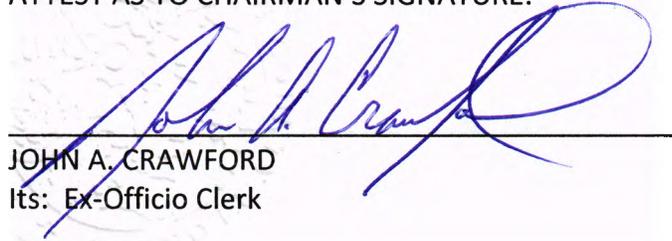
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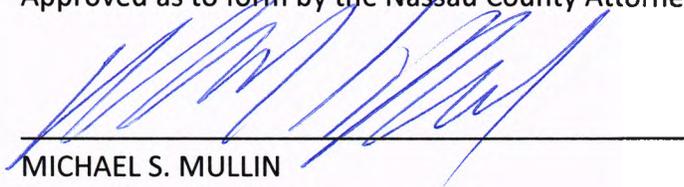
DANIEL B. LEEPER  
Its: Chairman

ATTEST AS TO CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE:



JOHN A. CRAWFORD  
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the Nassau County Attorney:



MICHAEL S. MULLIN