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FORT MYERS BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

RESOLUTION NO. 19-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE FORT MYERS BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SUPPORTING GOVERNOR RON DESANTIS' STRONG COMMITMENT TO WATER QUALITY, EVERGLADES RESTORATION AND THE SIGNIFICANT FUNDING LEVELS OUTLINED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 19-12.

WHEREAS, the Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce is an organization that represents businesses, residents and guests of Fort Myers Beach, Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce has joined with Lee and Collier County Chambers of Commerce to form the Southwest Florida Alliance of Chambers to address areas of concern throughout our region; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce is committed to advocating at the local, state and federal levels to improve Southwest Florida's quality of life and be a catalyst for positive change impacting business, environment and tourism; and

WHEREAS, tourism is a major economic driver in Lee County and the entire Southwest Florida region; and

WHEREAS, the quality of our water, beaches and environment is vital to attracting, retaining and expanding businesses, tourism and our workforce; and

WHEREAS, the region's continued economic well-being is impacted by the quality of our waterways; and

WHEREAS, red tide and blue-green algae jeopardizes our quality of life and economic vitality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FORT MYERS BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE supports the strong commitments to water quality, Everglades restoration, and the significant funding levels outlined in Governor Ron DeSantis' Executive Order 19-12, and asks the Florida Legislature and our representatives at the Federal level to appropriate the necessary funds to combat Florida's water quality crisis.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce on this 16th day of October, 2019.

Jacki Liszak
President and CEO

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