

RESOLUTION NO. _02-09_

A RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF
THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH REQUESTING
FEDERAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE
LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA SHORE PROTECTION PROJECTS

WHEREAS, Lee County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, is the local sponsor for beach erosion control efforts in the County, and

WHEREAS, Lee County has agreed to act as the Local Sponsor of the Lee County, Florida Shore Protection Project on behalf of the Town of Fort Myers Beach, and

WHEREAS, this Project was initially authorized by the Federal Government under Section 201 of the Flood Control Act of 1965 (79 Stat. 1073) by Senate Resolution dated December 17, 1970, and by House Resolution dated December 15, 1970, and

WHEREAS, reimbursement of the non-Federal entity in accordance with Section 206 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1992 (33 U.S.C. 426i-1) was authorized specifically by Section 309 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000, and

WHEREAS, The State of Florida has designated the area as a Critical Erosion Area, and Lee County and the State of Florida have budgeted matching construction funds,

WHEREAS, the primary purpose of the Project is to provide additional storm protection to structures within the project area, and Lee County has calculated storm protection benefits for the 30-year project horizon at over \$78 million, and

WHEREAS, much of the constructed beach will be public property held in trust by the State of Florida and will provide a recreational amenity to residents and over 1,000,000 annual beach visitors from other areas, providing jobs and economic benefits estimated at over \$240 million, and

WHEREAS, property owners in the project area will receive a direct benefit and will pay a proportionate share of the cost, and

WHEREAS, healthy beaches are a critical component in a healthy coastal ecosystem providing critical habitat for several endangered species including nesting sea turtles.

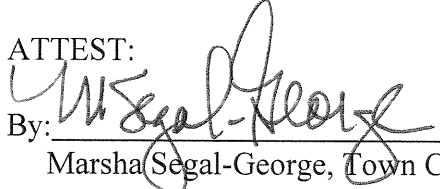
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach, Lee County, Florida, that

1. Federal funds should be appropriated in Fiscal Year 2003 to reimburse the local sponsor for construction of the Lee County Florida Shore Protection Project, Gasparilla and Estero Segments.
2. Reimbursement of the non-Federal entity in accordance with Section 309 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000 should specifically include planning, engineering, design costs, beach fill including placement of approximately 1.8 million cubic yards of sand over a total of 7.8 miles and construction of terminal structures.

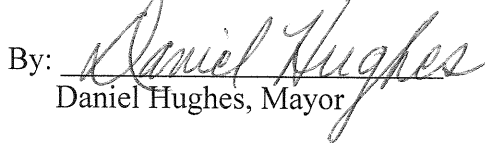
PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach, Florida this 4th day of March, 2002 ; the motion was made by Van Duzer, seconded by Rynearson and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Howard Rynearson	<u>aye</u>
Daniel Hughes	<u>aye</u>
Bill Thomas	<u>aye</u>
W. H. "Bill" Van Duzer	<u>aye</u>
Terry Cain	<u>aye</u>

ATTEST:

By: 
Marsha Segal-George, Town Clerk

TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH

By: 
Daniel Hughes, Mayor

Approved as to form by:


Richard V.S. Roosa, Town Attorney