

**RESOLUTION NO. 20-02-12**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA; EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR SENATE BILL 182, HOUSE BILL 6043 AND THE REPEAL OF STATE PREEMPTION OF LOCAL LAWS REGARDING THE USE OR SALE OF SINGLE-USE PLASTIC BAGS, WRAPPINGS AND CONTAINERS AND POLYSTYRENE PRODUCTS; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Senate is considering Senate Bill 182 and House Bill 6043, which, if passed, would remove/repeal the preemption of local laws regulating the use of polystyrene products, plastic bags, wrappings and containers;

**WHEREAS**, these bills, if passed by the Florida Senate and House, would allow Islamorada, Village of Islands (the "Village") along with other Florida cities and counties, to regulate the use of plastic shopping bags and other products that are detrimental to the environment, cause injury and death to marine life and land animals and are increasingly harmful to the health of human beings; and

**WHEREAS**, beginning with the 2015 Florida Legislative session and every subsequent Legislative session, the Village Council of Islamorada, Village of Islands (the "Village Council") has advocated for the repeal of the state preemptions on local government to enact any regulations on the use of single-use plastics or polystyrene products; and

**WHEREAS**, reusable bags and biodegradable containers are considered to be the best option to reduce waste and litter, protect wildlife and conserve resources; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the public interest for the Florida Legislature to provide statewide deregulation of the proliferation of single-use shopping bags and polystyrene containers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council finds that it is in the best interest of the Village, the Florida Keys and the entire State of Florida for the Florida Legislature to support the passage of

SB 182 and HB 6043 so that local governments can enact appropriate legislation relating to the regulation of plastic bags and polystyrene containers.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.    Recitals.**    The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2.    Support of Senate Bill 182.**    The Village Council hereby expresses its support of SB 182 and urges Senator Anitere Flores and the Florida Senate to support SB 182 and similar measures.

**Section 3.    Support of House Bill 6043.**    The Village Council hereby expresses its support of HB 6043 and urges Representative Holly Raschein and the Florida House to support HB 6043 and similar measures.

**Section 4.    Transmittal.**    The Village Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to State Senator Anitere Flores, State Representative Holly Raschein and Governor Ron DeSantis.

**Section 5.    Effective Date.**    This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Motion to adopt by Vice Mayor Ken Davis, second by Councilman Jim Mooney.

**FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION**

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| Mayor Mike Forster      | YES |
| Vice Mayor Ken Davis    | YES |
| Councilwoman Deb Gillis | YES |
| Councilman Jim Mooney   | YES |
| Councilman Chris Sante  | YES |

**PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.**

  
MIKE FORSTER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
KELLY TOTH, VILLAGE CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE  
USE AND BENEFIT OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF  
ISLANDS ONLY:

  
ROGET V. BRYAN, VILLAGE ATTORNEY