

**RESOLUTION 23-03-20**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA,  
VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT OF FLORIDA  
HOUSE BILL 363 AND FLORIDA SENATE BILL 336 EACH  
RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF SINGLE-USE PLASTIC  
PRODUCTS; URGING THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT  
AND PASS SUCH BILLS; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL AND  
PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, according to the data from the Environmental Protection Agency, there is a significant amount of plastics floating in the ocean and polluting our natural environment; and

**WHEREAS**, the long-term negative impact of certain plastic products on the environment, particularly single-use plastics found in abundance in the marine environment is harming Florida's ecology and economy for many coastal communities; and

**WHEREAS**, it is crucial to the ongoing welfare of Florida's ecology and economy, that there is regulation of single-use plastic products; and

**WHEREAS**, Representative James V. Mooney, whose district includes Islamorada, Village of Islands (the "Village"), submitted House Bill 363; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez, whose district also covers the Village, submitted Senate Bill 336, together with House Bill 363, hereinafter referred to as the "Bills"; and

**WHEREAS**, both Bills provide for establishment of pilot programs by "coastal communities" to regulate single-use plastic products; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village is considered a "Coastal Community" under the definition set forth in both of the Bills; and

**WHEREAS**, such pilot program would allow a Coastal Community to regulate single-use plastic products and collect data relating to the effectiveness and impacts of such regulation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council of the Village (the "Village Council") urges the passing of the Bills to promote regulation of single-use plastics by Coastal Communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council recognizes that regulation of single-use plastics by Coastal Communities will enhance the long-term sustainability of the Village's environment, economy and quality of life.

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

**Section 1. Recitals.** The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated into this Resolution by this Reference.

**Section 2. Supporting Passage of Bills.** The Village Council hereby reaffirms its strong support for the passage of the Bills by the Florida Legislature.

**Section 3. Transmittal.** The Village Clerk is hereby authorized to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Florida State Representative James V. Mooney, Florida State Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez, and Florida Governor Ron DeSantis.

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

**PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of March, 2023.**

Motion to adopt by Council Member Mark Gregg Seconded by Vice Mayor Sharon Mahoney.

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**FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION**

**VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS**

Mayor Joseph B. Pinder III	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Mayor Sharon Mahoney	<u>Yes</u>
Council Member Mark Gregg	<u>Yes</u>
Council Member Elizabeth Jolin	<u>Yes</u>
Council Member Henry Rosenthal	<u>Yes</u>

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 2nd DAY OF MARCH, 2023.**



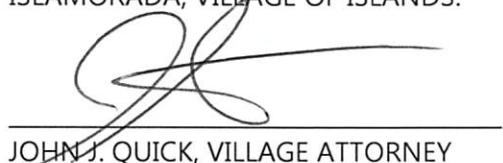
JOSEPH B. PINDER III, MAYOR

ATTEST:



MARNE MCGRATH, VILLAGE CLERK

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



JOHN J. QUICK, VILLAGE ATTORNEY

