



**BEFORE THE CITY COMMISSION
CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA**

RESOLUTION NUMBER 47-2014

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE CONCERNS OF THE MARINE INDUSTRY RELATING TO THE FLORIDA EAST COAST ("FEC") ALL ABOARD FLORIDA ("AAF") PROJECT.

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WHEREAS, the All Aboard Florida project is proposing to include up to thirty-two (32) trains as part of its new service, which will involve closure of the Trestle Bridge crossing the St. Lucie River/Okeechobee waterway; and

WHEREAS, the additional railroad closures of the Trestle Bridge may adversely affect the City and County's Marine industry; and

WHEREAS, unlike other locations, the AAF cannot coordinate simultaneous train crossings as there will only be one track across the Okeechobee Waterway in Stuart, Florida. This may result in more closings than those affecting other communities along the FEC corridor where double tracking will be installed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA, that:

SECTION 1: The City Commission of the City of Stuart hereby urges significant enhancements to the Trestle Bridge which will limit the amount of time during which the bridge is "down" for railroad crossings.

SECTION 2: A study be performed to show how the new AAF service and freight trains on the FEC tracks will impact businesses, residents, and the community including marine (vessel) and vehicle traffic.

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SECTION 3: The City desires predictable and guaranteed minimum number of minutes that the bridge will be open per hour for boat traffic with specific times.

SECTION 4: The City Commission urges inclusion of the freight component within the EIS.

SECTION 5: The City Commission urges the default position of the bridge to remain in the open position.

SECTION 6: The City Commission desires to have a bridge operation plan performed to include addressing a hurricane flotilla plan, boat show set-up and boat parades.

SECTION 8: This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon and after its final passage.

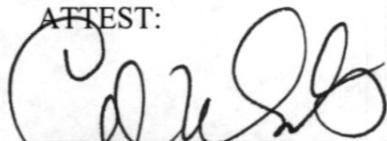
Commissioner CLARKE offered the foregoing resolution and moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner GLASS LEIGHTON and upon being put to a roll call vote, the vote was as follows:

TROY A. McDONALD, MAYOR
KELLI GLASS LEIGHTON, VICE MAYOR
JAMES A. CHRISTIE, COMMISSIONER
EULA R. CLARKE, COMMISSIONER
JEFFREY A. KRAUSKOPF, COMMISSIONER


YES	NO	ABSENT
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ADOPTED on this 9th day of June, 2014.

ATTEST:




CHERYL WHITE
CITY CLERK



TROY A. McDONALD
MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
CORRECTNESS:



MICHAEL J. MORTELL
CITY ATTORNEY

