

RESOLUTION NO. 26-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION'S BEACH MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, APPROVING A FISCAL YEAR 2027-2028 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING REQUEST TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR AN ESTIMATED \$ 4,926,970.65 IN FURTHERANCE OF THE PINELLAS COUNTY SHORE PROTECTION PROJECT, TREASURE ISLAND SEGMENT; INCORPORATING RECITALS HEREIN; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Pinellas County, and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP), cost-share in three (3) segments of the Pinellas County Shore Protection Project: Sand Key, Treasure Island, and Long Key; and

WHEREAS, the Treasure Island Segment ("Treasure Island Project") was nourished in 2025-2026 at a total construction cost of \$14,459,212.50, dune planting cost of \$255,052.80, Erosion Control Line Cost of \$34,676 and first and second year monitoring costs estimated at \$80,000 and \$75,000; and

WHEREAS, the County share for the construction, dune planting, Erosion Control Line Cost and first and second year monitoring costs is projected at \$7,451,970.65, and the FDEP share for construction, dune planting, Erosion Control Line Cost and first and second year monitoring is projected at \$7,451,970.65, which includes \$2,525,000.00 from a grant previously awarded on July 24, 2023; and

WHEREAS, before providing the additional projected \$ 4,926,970.65 for the Treasure Island Project, FDEP requires that the Board of County Commissioners ("Board") adopt a resolution that: a) declares the County's support for the Treasure Island Project; b) declares the County's willingness to serve as local sponsor for the Treasure Island Project; c) declares the County's ability to provide the full local cost share for the Treasure Island Project; and d) identifies the County's source of funding for the Treasure Island Project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AT A DULY ASSEMBLED MEETING HELD ON THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2026, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The recitals above are incorporated herein.

Section 2. The Board supports the Treasure Island Project and is serving as the local sponsor.

Section 3. The Board annually collects and allocates approximately \$8.2 million in Tourist Development Tax funds for beach nourishment projects and has added additional Tourist Development Tax funds for a total Fiscal Year 2026 budget of approximately \$107 million, at least \$ 4,926,970.65 of which is available to fund the County share for the Treasure Island Project.

Section 4. The attached FDEP Fiscal Year 2027-2028 Local Government Funding Request for \$ 4,926,970.65 ~~for~~ the Federal Pinellas County Shore Protection Project, Treasure Island Segment is approved.

Section 5. This Resolution is effective immediately upon its adoption.

Commissioner _____ offered the foregoing Resolution and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon roll call the vote was:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: