

RESOLUTION NO. \_03-01

A RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF  
THE TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH SUPPORTING THE  
SHRIMPING INDUSTRY

WHEREAS, our economy is tied to the benefits derived from the Gulf of Mexico, which includes tourism, and the historic Commercial Fishing and Shrimping industry, and

WHEREAS, the Shrimping industry located on San Carlos Island has provided significant economic benefits to Lee County and a great wealth of historic charm and flavor to our area, and

WHEREAS, due to the importing of cheaper farm raised shrimp, current Shrimpers are unable to realize sufficient moneys for their catches to make their industry viable, and

WHEREAS, Lee County, the State of Florida and the Federal Government need to assess how this industry can be saved and in the interim determine how best to help the Shrimpers survive the current economic hard times.

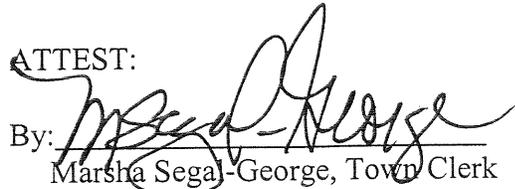
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach, Lee County, Florida, that

1. The Town Council supports Lee County, the State of Florida and the Federal Government moving to immediately assess how this valuable historic industry can be saved.
2. The Town Council will send a copy of this resolution expressing the Town's support to Lee County, the State of Florida and the appropriate Federal agencies.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Fort Myers Beach, Florida this 3rd day of February 2003; the motion was made by, seconded by and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

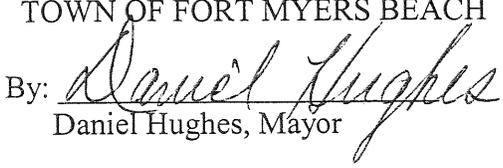
Howard Rynearson	<u>aye</u>
Daniel Hughes	<u>aye</u>
Bill Thomas	<u>aye</u>
W. H. "Bill" Van Duzer	<u>aye</u>
Terry Cain	<u>aye</u>

ATTEST:

By: 

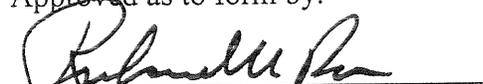
Marsha Segal-George, Town Clerk

TOWN OF FORT MYERS BEACH

By: 

Daniel Hughes, Mayor

Approved as to form by:

  
Richard V.S. Roosa, Town Attorney