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**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NEW SMYRNA BEACH, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THE ASSISTANCE OF GOVERNOR CRIST AND FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SECRETARY KOPELOUSOS TO PRIORITIZE THE INTERCITY RAIL COMPONENT OF THE FEC CORRIDOR PROJECT (FROM JACKSONVILLE TO MIAMI) AS PART OF THE FEDERAL ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the FEC corridor was historically operated as a passenger rail line along Florida's east coast, traversing the Volusia County coastal communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida's east coast historically developed around train stations along the FEC railroad; and

**WHEREAS**, local governments and the private sector along Florida's east coast are currently implementing programs to redevelop historic downtowns built around train stations; and

**WHEREAS**, improved mobility is highly desired in the City of New Smyrna Beach and throughout the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, transit, including rail transit, is a key component of improved mobility, especially between cities and throughout Florida's east coast; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2006 Florida Rail Plan identifies passenger transit along the FEC corridor as a potential "Coastal Route" for new passenger rail service along Florida's east coast; and

**WHEREAS**, Amtrak is well-suited to provide passenger rail service along Florida's east coast; and

**WHEREAS**, the reintroduction of Amtrak service along Florida's east coast would provide near-term jobs and economic stimulus for Florida's residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Government is seeking appropriate projects for inclusion in the Federal economic stimulus package to provide immediate and near-term job opportunities for projects; and

36           **WHEREAS**, the           Intercity           FEC           Corridor           Project  
37 (Jacksonville/Miami) is an appropriate project for inclusion by the  
38 State of Florida in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Plan;  
39 and

40           **WHEREAS**, former work by Amtrak and FDOT includes plans for  
41 the improvements necessary to initiate Amtrak service on the FEC  
42 corridor.

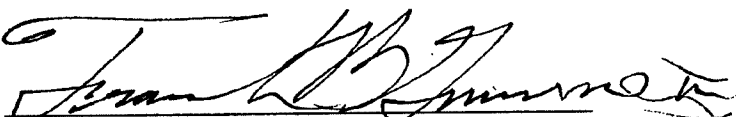
43           **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY**  
44 **OF NEW SMYRNA BEACH, FLORIDA:**

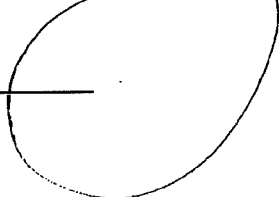
45           **SECTION 1:**           That the City of New Smyrna Beach requests the  
46 assistance of Governor Crist and FDOT Secretary Kopelousos to  
47 prioritize the Amtrak/FEC Corridor Project (from Jacksonville to  
48 Miami) as part of the Federal economic stimulus package for the  
49 State of Florida.

50           **SECTION 2:**           That all resolutions or parts thereof that are in  
51 conflict with this resolution shall be and the same are hereby  
52 rescinded and repealed.

53           **SECTION 3:**           That this resolution shall take effect immediately  
54 upon its final adoption.

55           **APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS:**

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57           **FRANK B. GUMMEY, III**  
58           City Attorney


59           **DATE:** 2/4/10 

The Within and Foregoing Resolution No. 08-10 as introduced and read before the City Commission of the City of New Smyrna Beach, Florida, at its Regular Meeting held at City Hall in said City on February 23, 2010. Motion was made by Commissioner Hathaway, and seconded by Commissioner Grasty, that said Resolution be adopted.

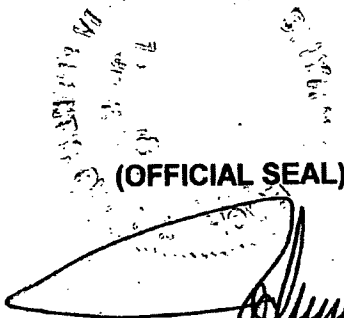
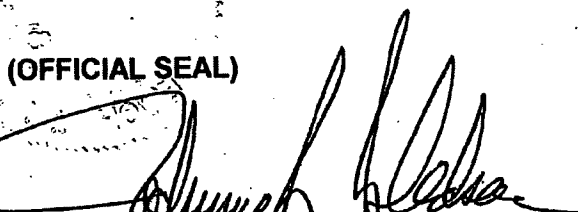
A roll-call vote of the City Commission on said motion to adopt the Resolution resulted as follows:

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| MAYOR ADAM BARRINGER           | Yes |
| VICE MAYOR LYNNE PLASKETT      | Yes |
| COMMISSIONER JUDY REIKER       | Yes |
| COMMISSIONER J. S. GRASTY      | Yes |
| COMMISSIONER JAMES W. HATHAWAY | Yes |

Whereupon, the Mayor of the City of New Smyrna Beach, Florida, has hereunto set his official signature, duly attested by the City Clerk, and has caused the Official Seal of said City to be hereunto affixed for the purpose of authenticity and as is required by law.

  
As Mayor of the City of New  
Smyrna Beach, Florida

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

  
  
As City Clerk of the  
City of New Smyrna Beach,  
Florida

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