RESOLUTION NO. 2018 030

A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA OPPOSING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION COASTAL CONNECTOR PROPOSED ROUTES

WHEREAS, the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners is in opposition to, the five newly proposed Coastal Connector routes,

WHEREAS, after hearing from citizens through public appearance, emails, phone calls, and letters, and after reviewing the five newly proposed alternative routes put forward by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and Florida Turnpike Enterprise (FTE),

WHEREAS, Suncoast II is currently being extended to S.R. 44.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners wants to protect the significant natural assets of Citrus County, wants to encourage the least impact on these resources and property owners in Citrus County, and wants to preserve quality of life,

WHEREAS, we recognize that the State population anticipated to increase by 6 million residents in ten year,

WHEREAS, recognizing consensus and partnership is vital to this important multi-county project,

WHEREAS, to ensure this plan takes a much broader approach by identifying management actions and input from a wide variety of stakeholders;

WHEREAS, we are concerned about the lack of transparency and inclusion in any of the planning process or proposed routes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida in regular session this 12^{nd} day of June, 2018, as follows:

- 1. It is the intent of the Board of County Commissioners to coordinate our efforts and resources to minimize congestion and backups on U.S. 19 and U.S. 41 with the extension of the Suncoast Parkway II.
- 2. The Board of County Commissioners wants the terminating point of the Suncoast Parkway II to

remain at S.R. 44 until a proper and complete plan is agreed upon by the parties and each County that any extension will traverse.

- 2. The Board does not support any and all of the five presented routes for the Coastal Connector.
- 3. The Board does hereby request the support of the Governor, Turnpike Authority, Transportation Secretary, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House for the termination of the Suncoast II at S.R. 44 and in opposition to the proposed five proposed routes for the Coastal Connector.
- 4. The Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Governor, Turnpike Authority, Transportation Secretary, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

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