Mayor Heather Carruthers RESOLUTION NO. <u>132</u>-2011

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING COHESIVE PLANNING WITH CITY OF KEY WEST FOR REDEVELOPMENT OF INDIGENOUS PARK AND HIGGS BEACH.

WHEREAS, the County Commission for Monroe County recognizes that the City of Key West may from time to time desire to redevelop all or parts of Indigenous Park; and

WHEREAS, Indigenous Park is on the east side of White Street and a portion of Higgs Beach Park, owned and operated by the County, is on the adjacent south side of White Street; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that both parks would probably be best served if redevelopment on either park is designed to complement the other park to benefit the local residents and tourists who utilize either or both parks; and

WHEREAS, the County currently has contracted with an architect for design of a master plan for redevelopment of Higgs Beach Park consistent with the expressed desires of residents to improve safety, enhance recreational use and beautify Higgs Beach Park for City and County taxpayers, residents and tourists; and

WHEREAS, under the continuing contract with William P. Horn, Architect, the County could revise the Higgs Beach project contract to allow design efforts for Indigenous Park up to a maximum of \$67,999 if an interlocal agreement is entered whereby the City provides commensurate consideration for the design services of the architect; and

WHEREAS, it is possible that in the course of seeking grants for redevelopment of Higgs Beach Park, the County could partner with the City in seeking grants that would also fund redevelopment of Indigenous Park; and

WHEREAS, the County recognizes that any reconfiguration of the road intersecting Higgs Beach Park should be coordinated with the City to ensure that no municipal problems are created; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to extend to the City of Key West the opportunity to work together to benefit the residents and tourists who visit both the city and county parks adjacent to White Street;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the City of Key West is invited to participate in any of the public meetings concerning redevelopment of Higgs Beach and to seek that such meetings enhance the complimentary redevelopment of both parks.

- 2. The County would like to open discussions with the City of Key West regarding the possibility of an interlocal agreement whereby:
- a) the County may agree to revise the architect's Higgs Beach project contract to increase the dollar amount to cover up to \$67,999 in additional design services for Indigenous Park, provided the City agrees to provide reimbursement of the amounts spent on design specific to Indigenous Park; and
- b) the City and County may agree to explore operational issues regarding the parks; and
- c) the City and County may agree to partner in applying for grants for redevelopment of Higgs Beach Park and Indigenous Park; and
- d) the City and County may agree to terms regarding any reconfiguration of the road intersecting Higgs Beach; and
- e) the interlocal agreement may include any other considerations upon which the parties may agree.
 - 3. The Clerk is directed to send a copy of this resolution to the City Clerk.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Mones County, Florida at a regular meeting of said board held on April 20

Mayor Carruthers Yes Yes Mayor Pro Tem Rice Yes Commissioner Murphy Commissioner Neugent Yes ommissioner Wigington Yes

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Deputy Clerk

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