

**TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2007-012**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THE PALM BEACH COUNTY COMMISSION CONTINUE FUNDING THE PALM BEACH COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Loxahatchee Groves was incorporated as a rural Town and has a very long and proud history as an agricultural friendly community; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been brought to the Town Council's attention that Palm Beach County Commission is considering a reduction in funding for the Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service; and

**WHEREAS**, the Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service supports various programs within the County that instructs school children how to grow crops and raise livestock, and it also runs a popular pesticide application certification program for nursery growers and their workers; and

**WHEREAS**, Palm Beach County is the largest agricultural county in the state, both in acreage, landmass, and economic impact, and any reduction in funding, or the elimination of the Extension Service would not be in the best interests of agriculture.

**WHEREAS**, the elimination of the Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service would not be in the best interest of the citizens and residents of Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, tourism, service, manufacturing, and agriculture provide most of the jobs in Palm Beach County, and any reduction in funding for, or the elimination of the Extension Service, would negatively impact one of the most profitable segments of the County's economy.

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council for the Town of Loxahatchee Groves respectfully requests

that the County Commission not reduce funding for the Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service, because to do so would not be in the best interest of the residents of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves, Palm Beach County, or the State of Florida.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA THAT:**

**Section 1.** Each "WHEREAS" clause set forth above is true and correct and herein incorporated by this reference.

**Section 2.** The Town Council of the Town of Loxahatchee Groves supports the Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service, and respectfully requests that Palm Beach County Commission not reduce funding for the Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service.

**Section 3.** The Town Manager is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Chair of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, the County Administrator, and the Executive Director of the Palm Beach County League of Cities.

**Section 4.** If any clause, section, or other part of this Resolution shall be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such unconstitutional or invalid part shall be considered as eliminated and shall in no way affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution.

**Section 5.** All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

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**Section 6.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

**FIRST PUBLIC HEARING TEMPORARILY PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, THIS 4<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2007.**

**SECOND PUBLIC HEARING PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2007.**

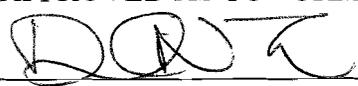
ATTEST:

  
TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES,  
FLORIDA

BY:   
MAYOR DAVID BROWNING

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
OFFICE OF THE TOWN ATTORNEY

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