

## RESOLUTION NO. 2018-07

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR THE TOWN TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN FLOOD COALITION**

**WHEREAS**, flooding during “King Tides” is already a costly nuisance and a problem that if unaddressed will grow worse as sea levels continue to rise, and

**WHEREAS**, sea level rise poses a unique threat to Florida given the limestone bedrock beneath much of the state which allows rising sea water to infiltrate sewage systems and threaten groundwater supplies via salt water intrusion, and

**WHEREAS**, national coordination and support are necessary for coastal towns to fully address the challenge of sea level rise and flooding, and the American Flood Coalition provides a platform advocating for national solutions to sea level rise and flooding that invest in and protect our coastal communities, and

**WHEREAS**, the American Flood Coalition is a forum for best practices and support in developing local and state-level responses to sea level rise and flooding that will enhance the Town’s sea level rise effort, and

**WHEREAS**, sea level rise and flooding are important issues that our residents deserve to understand and the American Flood Coalition provides opportunities and tools to communicate with residents on sea level rise challenges and solutions, and

**WHEREAS**, joining the American Flood Coalition will aid the Town’s efforts to protect against flooding without requiring any financial support or dues from the Town Commission, and

**WHEREAS**, existing flood prevention and sea level rise work done by the Town includes efforts to increase the Community Rating System (CRS) score for the Town, upgrades and increased maintenance to the Town’s drainage infrastructure, comp plan updates to address sea level rise, and drainage engineering studies for Inlet Cay Island and other critical areas within the Town.

**WHEREAS**, the Town Commission finds that joining the American Flood Coalition will promote the welfare of Town residents and ensure the prosperity of the Town economy by accelerating solutions to sea level rise and flooding, and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

The Town of Ocean Ridge, Florida, recognizes the benefit to advance communications and solutions to sea level rise and flooding issues as a member of the American Flood Coalition to better inform and safeguard the welfare of the Town's residents through collective communications and best practices.

Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ offered the foregoing resolution. Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
JAMES A. BONFIGLIO, MAYOR	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DON MAGRUDER, VICE MAYOR	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PHILIP BESLER, COMMISSIONER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
STEVE COZ, COMMISSIONER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
KRISTINE DE HASETH, COMMISSIONER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The Mayor thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed and adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE, FLORIDA

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
James A. Bonfiglio, Mayor

ATTEST:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracey L. Stevens, Town Clerk

REVIEWED FOR FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
R. Brian Shutt, Town Attorney