

WAKULLA COUNTY
RESOLUTION # _____

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF
VEHICULAR IDLE REDUCTION**

WHEREAS, numerous carcinogens including benzene and heavy metals are found in vehicle exhaust and emissions from idling vehicles contributed significantly to air pollution, and to increased rates of respiratory disease which adversely affect Wakulla County citizens, especially children, seniors, and people with weakened immune systems; and

WHEREAS, vehicle idling often occurs in location(s) where Wakulla County citizens can be exposed to air pollutant emissions such as drive-through windows, parking lots, school grounds, and shopping centers; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Medical Association not only recommends anti-idling legislation for Florida, but for the entire nation and the American Lung Association supports efforts to decrease pollution from mobile sources; and

WHEREAS, according to the US EPA, idling a vehicle for longer than 30 seconds consumes more fuel than restarting the vehicle, resulting in excessive emissions and contributing to increased greenhouse gases;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Wakulla County, Florida, that this Resolution shall consent to the following:

1. Support the reduction of unnecessary vehicle idling throughout the community
2. Plans to enact a policy to minimize the idling of County fleet vehicles; and
3. Supports broad education of the public about health, environmental, and economic impacts of idling and ways to reduce idling.

DONE AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Wakulla County, Florida, on this the 5th day of April, 2010.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WAKULLA COUNTY

Howard Kessler, Chairman

ATTEST:

APPROVE AS TO FORM:

Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk of Court

Heather Encinosa, County Attorney