

RESOLUTION 2010-___

A RESOLUTION OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DECLARING SUPPORT FOR THOSE WAKULLA COUNTY SEAFOOD INDUSTRY WORKERS AFFECTED BY SEASONAL ECONOMIC HARDSHIPS.

WHEREAS, Wakulla County received 19.01 inches of rain in the months of December 2009 and January 2010; and

WHEREAS, the normal rainfall for that period is 9.46 inches; and

WHEREAS, the oyster harvesting zones in and around Wakulla County have been closed by state regulation for substantial periods of time due to this significant rainfall during the winter harvesting season; and

WHEREAS, Apalachicola Bay in Franklin County is a critical regional oyster harvesting area; and

WHEREAS, seafood industry workers residing in Wakulla County have a significant economic interest in Apalachicola Bay; and

WHEREAS, Apalachicola Bay has been closed due to this rainfall during significant portions of the winter harvesting season; and

WHEREAS, the closure of Apalachicola Bay due to higher-than-normal rainfall has had significant economic impacts on seafood industry workers in Wakulla County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Wakulla County, Florida, that:

SECTION 1. RECITALS. The above recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. SUPPORT OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY SEAFOOD INDUSTRY WORKERS. The Board supports the Wakulla County seafood industry workers that have been significantly impacted by the closure of oyster harvesting zones in Wakulla and Franklin Counties. Let it be known by this resolution that Wakulla County seeks assistance for their seafood industry workers from the state government and its leaders at this time.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Wakulla County, Florida, this ___ day of _____, 2010.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: _____
Howard Kessler, Chairman

ATTEST:

By: _____
Brent X. Thurmond, Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:

By: _____
Heather J. Encinosa, County Attorney