## **RESOLUTION 09-23**

## CITY OF PORT ST. JOE

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE ENDORSING EMPLOYER SUPPORT FOR THE NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE, IN FURTHERANCE OF OUR COUNTRY'S SERVICE MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES DURING TIME OF NEED; FURTHER INSTRUCTING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSMIT SAME TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR EMPLOYEE SUPPORT FOR THE GUARD AND RESERVE.

WHEREAS, the City of Port St. Joe as an employer who proffers unconditional support for the Guard and Reserve recognized that the National Guard and Reserve are essential to the strength of our nation and the well being of our communities; and

WHEREAS, in the highest of American tradition, the patriotic men and women of the Guard and Reserve serve voluntarily in an honorable and vital profession; whereby they are trained to respond to their community and their country during time of need; further acknowledging that said individuals deserve the support of every segment of our society; and

WHEREAS, if these volunteer forces are to continue to serve our nation, increased public understanding is required of the essential role of the Guard and Reserve in preserving our national security;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE;

- **SECTION 1.** That foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.
- **SECTION 2.** That the City Commission does hereby join other employees in pledging that it fully recognizes honors and enforces the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA).
- **SECTION 3.** That our managers and supervisors will have the tools they need to effectively manage those employees who serve in the Guard and Reserve.
- **SECTION 4.** That we will continually recognize and support our country's service members and their families in peace, in crisis, and in war.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by majority vote of the City Commission of the City of Port St. Joe, Florida this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009.

ATTEST:

Jim Anderson, City Clerk

BY

Mel Magidson, Jr. Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

S. Russell Scholz, City Attorney