RESOLUTION NO. 2014-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE FLORIDA, URGING THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF THE PORT ST. JOE PORT AUTHORITY TO MAKE THE PORT OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA, A VIABLE OPERATIONAL SEAPORT ONCE AGAIN

WHEREAS, the Port St. Joe Port Authority has acquired through purchase real estate necessary for construction of a viable Port; and

WHEREAS, Port St. Joe and Gulf County are located in a Rural Area of Critical Economic Concern; and

WHEREAS, an operating port creates an economic development engine which can provide for stability in the economy, well-paying jobs, and other economic benefits which will be felt throughout the city, county, and region; and

WHEREAS, contracts and letters of intent to develop property within the Port Planning Area have been executed and the rate of inquiries has increased in pace with the current development activity of the Port; and

WHEREAS, the Port has applied to various state and federal agencies for assistance and support of the various Port development efforts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Port St. Joe, Florida, as follows:

- 1. The City Commission is in complete support of the Port St. Joe Port Authority as a future driver of the local economy and the City completely supports the actions and efforts of the Port Authority as they move forward in the process of making the Port of Port St. Joe a viable, operational Florida seaport.
- 2. The City Commission formally requests that any and all assistance from the State of Florida and the United States of America, whether such assistance takes the form of funding, permitting, or any other form of assistance, be made available to the Port St. Joe Port Authority.

3. That a copy of this Resolution be provided to all elected officials representing the City of Port St. Joe and Gulf County within the Florida Executive and Legislative branches and the United States Congress.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this 18th day of March, 2014.

CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA

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Mayor-Commissione

ATTEST:

Charlotte M. Perre Charlotte Pierce

City Clerk