

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-74**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, OPPOSING THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF APPROXIMATELY 88 ACRES OF PINE ROCKLAND GENERALLY LOCATED ALONG S.W. 152 STREET AND S.W. 127TH AVENUE WITHIN UNINCORPORATED MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Sponsored by Mayor Shelley Stanczyk)**

**WHEREAS**, it has been recently reported that approximately 88 acres of forest land generally located along S.W. 152 Street and S.W. 127 Avenue in unincorporated Miami-Dade County is to be developed as a mixed use development (the "Property"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Property consists of one of the last intact tracts of endangered pine rockland ("Rockland") within Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, Rockland is a globally imperiled habitat containing an array of rare plants, animals, and insects that are exclusive to that habitat; and

**WHEREAS**, some of the endangered species for which Rockland provides a habitat include the bald eagle, indigo snake, the Florida bonneted bat, and two rare butterflies; and

**WHEREAS**, preservation of the native Rockland, and the species for which it provides a home, is of great importance for the protection of our native forest's unique and endangered environment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Palmetto Bay is concerned about the loss of this valuable Rockland and desires to express its opposition to the development of the Property; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council finds that this Resolution is in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the Village.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

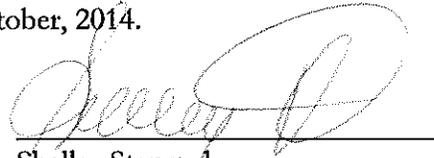
**Section 2.** The Village Council hereby opposes the proposed development of the Property.

**Section 3.** The Village Council hereby authorizes the Village Clerk to transmit this Resolution to the Board of the Miami-Dade County Commissioners and Craig W. Aubrey, South Florida field supervisor for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

**Section 4.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

Attest:   
Meighan Alexander  
Village Clerk

  
Shelley Stanczyk  
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE  
USE AND RELIANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY ONLY:

  
Dexter W. Lehtinen  
Village Attorney

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:

Council Member Patrick Fiore	<u>YES</u>
Council Member Tim Schaffer	<u>YES</u>
Council Member Joan Lindsay	<u>YES</u>
Vice-Mayor John DuBois	<u>YES</u>
Mayor Shelley Stanczyk	<u>YES</u>

This Resolution was filed in the Office of the Villager Clerk on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

  
Meighan Alexander  
Village Clerk