RESOLUTION #14-046R

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF OSCEOLA COUNTY IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED "ALL ABOARD FLORIDA" PRIVately OWNED, OPERATED AND MAINTAINED INTERCITY PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE BETWEEN SOUTH FLORIDA AND CENTRAL FLORIDA BEING DEVELOPED BY FLORIDA EAST COAST INDUSTRIES, LLC; AND FURTHER URGING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER REGULATORY/FUNDING AGENCIES TO SUPPORT THE PROJECT AS NECESSARY.

WHEREAS the Central Florida region is the most visited region in the State of Florida and the Greater Orlando Airport is one of the busiest in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Downtown Miami is South Florida's largest, most utilized transit-oriented neighborhood, featuring the State's largest employment center, a growing high-density residential community, major cultural and entertainment destinations, and an existing premium transit infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, despite these facts, neither Central Florida nor South Florida are currently served directly by regional or intra-state passenger rail; and

WHEREAS, Florida East Coast Industries, Inc., owners of the FEC corridor, has announced plans to develop privately owned, operated and maintained passenger rail service between South Florida and Central Florida, with stops in Miami, Fort Lauderdale, West Palm Beach and Orlando; and

WHEREAS, the OSCEOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS finds that this proposed service is consistent with and furthers the State's goal to have options for travelers to move between Central and South Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF OSCEOLA, FLORIDA.

Section 1. The recitals are true and correct and are adopted by reference and incorporated as if fully set forth in this Section.

Section 2. THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF OSCEOLA supports the proposed "All Aboard Florida" privately owned, operated and maintained passenger rail service between South Florida and Central Florida being developed by Florida East Coast Industries, LLC.

Section 3. THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of the COUNTY of OSCEOLA urges the Florida Department of Transportation and other regulatory/funding agencies to support the project as necessary.
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF OSCEOLA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: [Signature]
Chairman/Vice Chairman

ATTEST:
OSCEOLA COUNTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

By: [Signature]
Clerk/Deputy Clerk of the Board

As authorized for execution at the Board of County Commissioners meeting of:

05-05-14

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