RESOLUTION NO. 2001-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PROPOSED CHALLENGE GRANT APPLICATION TO BROWARD COUNTY FOR CONSTRUCTING PUBLIC OPEN SPACE AND RECREATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO TRANSMIT THE APPLICATION AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2000 the voters of Broward County by a 3 to 1 vote approved the "Safe Parks and Land Preservation Referendum"; and

WHEREAS, the Referendum asked Broward County residents to approve \$400 million in general obligation bonds to purchase land for conservation purposes and to develop new recreational opportunities and repair existing county parks; and

WHEREAS, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners has set aside \$20 million of the bonds to assist municipalities in their quest to protect conserve and develop public parks and open space within their jurisdiction by offering Challenge Grants up to \$500,000 to be submitted before March 1, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the County will accept up to three (3) applications to consider funding for Challenge Grants from each municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwest Ranches desires to submit a request for a Challenge Grant for an Equestrian Park (Northern Section) before the March 1, 2001 deadline:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, as follows:

<u>Section 1:</u> <u>Recitals:</u> The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2: Approval: The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches does hereby ratify and support submitting an application to develop open space and recreational improvements on the Equestrian Park (Northern Section).

Section 3: Authorization: The Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches does hereby authorize its Town Administrator to transmit a Grant Application to Broward County, attend all necessary meeting and coordinate the execution of final Grant agreements between the two parties.

Section 4: Effective Date: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches this 8th day of February, 2001.

Mecca Fink, Mayor

Attest:

Anelle Haze Typer, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

Gary A. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney

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