RESOLUTION NO. 2001-28

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES REQUESTING THE BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO INCORPORATE A COMPREHENSIVE EQUESTRIAN TRAIL SYSTEM IN THE PENDING GREENWAY SYSTEM MAP, AND PRIORITIZE FUNDING FROM THE SAFE PARKS AND LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners is considering the addition of a new Objective 5.05.00 to the Broward County Land Use Plan starting: "Establish a county-wide system of Greenways and trails consisting of safe, clean and enjoyable network of bicycle, pedestrian and equestrian paths, nature trails and waterways"; and

WHEREAS, the proposed policies also direct the County to seek partnerships with municipalities to link trails of county-wide significance together, link neighborhoods with park and recreation facilities and prioritize the development of the Greenway Trail System throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwest Ranches has reviewed the January 4, 2001 Potential Greenways System Map and has determined that a comprehensive system of significant Equestrian Paths needs to be added to the Map and included in the prioritization of funding for their construction; and

WHEREAS, the Map has not yet been adopted by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the voters have approved by a 3 to 1 vote allocating 400 million to provide passive outdoor recreational benefits to all residents in Broward County while meeting the needs of the surrounding communities based on consensus; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwest Ranches has adopted a Resolution transmitting to the County the Towns application to receive a Challenge Grant for constructing the first portion a the Town's comprehensive Equestrian Trail System on the Volunteer Road Greenway Corridor to link the proposed 20 acre Equestrian Park with all trail riders that currently ride their horses along Griffin Road.

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

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

Section 2: The Town of Southwest Ranches does hereby declare that it is to the best interest of the entire county for the Broward County Board of County Commissioners to include a comprehensive Equestrian System of county-wide significance in their preliminary Map.

Section 3: The Board of County Commissioners is requested to allocate a portion of the 400 million dollars available in the Safe Parks and Open Space Program to construct an attractive equestrian trail system throughout Broward County, where appropriate.

Section 4: The Town Manager is hereby directed to deliver a copy of this Resolution to the Board of County Commissioners, their staff, the League of Cities and neighboring communities to receive a consensus for developing partnerships to constructing the overall Equestrian Greenway Trail System.

Section 5: This Resolution shall become effective upon its passage and adoption.

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

Mecca Fink, Mayor

Attest:

Arielle Haze Tyner, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

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

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