RESOLUTION NO. 2002-83

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A \$200,000.00 FLORIDA RECREATION DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FRDAP) GRANT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, DIVISION OF RECREATION AND PARKS, BUREAU OF DESIGN AND RECREATION SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) has awarded a grant for the "ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR PUBLIC OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES;" and

WHEREAS, The Town Council has recently purchased a parcel of land located in the Rolling Oaks neighborhood for the purpose of providing outdoor recreation while preserving and enhancing the parcel's vacant "Open Space" and natural amenities; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, Town Council and residents of the Town of Southwest Ranches support the FRDAP goals and objectives for purchasing, preserving and enhancing natural open space for outdoor recreation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Town, with a population of 7,000 residents, is the newest municipality within Broward County, since this is the first year of incorporation, and has not had the opportunity to acquire any parks or open space lands; and

WHEREAS, the staff of Broward County, the staff of the Town, the Town Citizen Advisory Committee for the Comprehensive Plan and surrounding residents have met and agreed that the acres under contract meet all "Open Space" and outdoor recreation criteria; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes the importance of placing the purchase of the land in the five-year capital improvement schedule of its pending Comprehensive Plan scheduled to be adopted in the Spring of 2002.

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

Section 1: The Florida Department of Environmental Protection Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) has awarded the Town's request

for a \$200,000.00 matching grant to assist the Town in acquiring the parcel of land included in the attached application for outdoor recreation and "Open Space" purposes.

Section 2: The Mayor and Town Administrator of the Town of Southwest Ranches are authorized to sign an agreement for the grant award from FRDAP and to be responsible for managing the project's implementation and monitoring.

Section 3: All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

Section 4: If any clause, section, or other part or application of this Resolution is held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, in part or application, it shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Resolution.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida this 18th day of September 2002.

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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