A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR A CREDIT CARD FROM COMMUNITY BANK OF FLORIDA TO BE UTILIZED FOR OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASES; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ONLY ONE CREDIT CARD THAT SHALL ONLY BE UTILIZED BY THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR: CAPPING THE MAXIMUM MONTHLY CREDIT CARD USAGE AT \$10,000; REQUIRING THAT THE CREDIT CARD BILL MUST BE REVIEWED AND PAID BY A TOWN CHECK **BEARING TWO AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES; REQUIRING** TIMELY PAYMENT; REQUIRING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO PUT INTO EFFECT A TOWN PROCEDURE GOVERNING APPROPRIATE CREDIT CARD **USAGE AND SECURITY MEASURES PRIOR TO THE CREDIT** CARD'S ACTIVATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the use of credit cards is a customary business practice to improve cash management, to reduce costs, and to increase efficiency; and

**WHEREAS**, local governments customarily utilize credit cards to conduct day to day operations; and

**WHEREAS,** the Town of Southwest Ranches has found that certain purchases, including travel, requires the use of a credit card; and

**WHEREAS,** the use of a Town credit card, in limited situations, will help to simplify certain Town operations; and

**WHEREAS,** Community Bank of Florida, the Town's Bank, is requesting a Resolution from the Town Council authorizing the Town Administrator to obtain and to utilize a Town credit card; and

**WHEREAS,** the Town Administrator shall be the only individual authorized to utilize the Town credit card; and

**WHEREAS,** the Town credit card shall have a monthly spending limit cap of \$10,000, unless the Town Council specifically authorizes purchases in excess of the spending limitation; and

**WHEREAS,** the credit card bills must be paid timely and the credit card bills must be reviewed and paid by a Town check bearing two authorized signatures; and

**WHEREAS,** prior to the credit card's activation, the Town Administrator shall put into effect a Town procedure governing appropriate credit card usage and security measures.

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

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

**Section 2:** The Town Council hereby authorizes the Town Administrator to apply for a credit card from Community Bank of Florida to be utilized for official government purchases.

**Section 3:** The Town Council authorizes the issuance of only one credit card that shall only be utilized by the Town Administrator.

**Section 4:** The Town Council hereby caps the monthly maximum credit card usage at Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000), unless the Town Council, via Resolution, specifically authorizes purchases in excess of the monthly usage limitation.

**Section 5:** All credit card bills must be reviewed and paid by a Town check bearing two authorized signatures.

**Section 6:** All credit card bills must be paid timely, without penalty.

**Section 7:** Prior to activating the credit card, the Town Administrator shall put into effect a Town procedure governing appropriate credit card usage and security measures.

**Section 8:** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2005, on a motion by <u>Council Member</u> <u>Don Maines</u> and seconded by <u>Council Member Forest Blanton</u>.

Fink	A	Ayes	3
Knight	Y	Nays	1

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Blanton	<u> </u>
Maines	Y
Nelson	<u>N</u>

Absent or

Abstaining <u>1</u>

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Mecca Fink, Mayor

ATTEST: ala

Shari Canada, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

Gary A. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney 897931\_1.DOC