

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-9

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE BOARD OF ALDERMEN SUPPORTING THE CAPITAL OUTLAY REQUEST OF INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE FOR THE TREASURE COAST ADVANCED MANUFACTURING CENTER.

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WHEREAS, serving as the primary workforce training and technical service provider for the Town of St. Lucie Village, Indian River State College (IRSC) is ideally positioned to grow manufacturing and trade industries on the Treasure Coast; and

WHEREAS, over the past two years, IRSC has committed \$2 million in private funding and received \$6.5 million in legislative appropriations from the State of Florida toward a \$23.3 million state-of-the-art Treasure Coast Advanced Manufacturing Center; and

WHEREAS, while the region is most appreciative of this public support, this critically important facility is \$14.8 million short of breaking ground; and

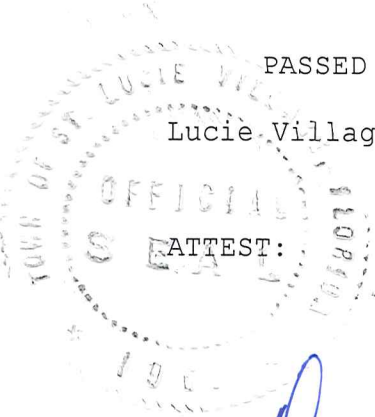
WHEREAS, a 2017 Treasure Coast Skills Gap Study completed by the EDC of St. Lucie County, Gehant & Associates, and in collaboration with business and educational leaders across Okeechobee & the Treasure Coast, identifies the planned IRSC Treasure Coast Advanced Manufacturing Center as a vital resource for filling many of the high demand jobs in trades and manufacturing; and

WHEREAS, our community is well aware of EMSI and Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) employment projections substantiating the growing, high-wage employment opportunities in sustainable building construction, smart manufacturing, automotive technology, HVAC, metal fabrication and specialized trades; and

WHEREAS, a modernized industrial skills facility is the most promising means to address these present and future needs; and

WHEREAS, supporting the request of Indian River State College will result in a strong return on investment of public funds, offering new opportunities for citizens to gain quick, affordable training in fields with extensive openings; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE fully supports the \$14.8 capital outlay request of Indian River State College for the Treasure Coast Advanced Manufacturing Center and its far-reaching implications for economic and workforce development.



PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of St. Lucie Village on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE  
TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE  
ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA

BY: Diane C. Orme  
Diane C. Orme, Clerk

BY: William G. Thiess  
William G. Thiess, Mayor

I, DIANE C. ORME, Clerk of the TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA, do hereby certify that this is a true and accurate copy of Resolution 2017-9 which was duly introduced, read and adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA, held this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017.

Diane C Orme  
DIANE C. ORME, CLERK