RESOLUTION 2014-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THAT THE STATE OF FLORIDA FUND THE COST OF QUIET ZONES AT THE RAILROAD CROSSINGS LOCATED WITHIN THE TOWN OF ST. LUCIE VILLAGE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Town of St. Lucie Village acknowledges the efforts of All Aboard Florida to construct a high speed passenger rail system from Miami to Orlando along the FEC tracks (the "All Aboard Florida Project"); and

WHEREAS, there are six railroad crossings along the FEC tracks within the boundaries of the Town of St. Lucie Village; and

WHEREAS, the All Aboard Florida Project will increase railroad traffic and railroad noise within the Town of St. Lucie Village; and

WHEREAS, there are hundreds of people in the Village who reside in very close proximity to these crossings and who would be significantly affected in their daily lives by the noise of the trains blowing their horns at the six FEC crossings if there is no quiet zone designation for those areas; and

WHEREAS, quiet zones are needed at all affected railroad crossings in order to mitigate the impacts of increased railroad traffic and railroad noise and to protect the health, safety and welfare of the Village's residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida has expressed its commitment to the success of the All Aboard Florida Project; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the cost of upgrading the infrastructure at the crossings so that they meet federal quiet zone standards could be in the hundreds of thousands of dollars for each crossing, resulting in a potential total cost in excess of a million dollars to the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Town of St. Lucie Village needs the financial assistance of the State of Florida to pay for quiet zones at its railroad crossings within the Town of St. Lucie Village.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of St. Lucie Village, Florida as follows:

- The Board of Aldermen hereby formally request that the State of Florida fund the cost of quiet zones at all railroad crossings within the Town of St. Lucie Village.
- 2. A copy of this resolution shall be transmitted by the Mayor to Governor Rick Scott, Chief Financial Officer Jeffrey Atwater, and Florida Department of Transportation Secretary, Ananth Prasad.
 - That this Resolution shall take effect upon passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of St.

Lucie Village on this 9th day of January , 2014.

APPROVED:

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

ATTESTED:

Orme,

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