



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS,

The "Gateway to Coastal Georgia: Connecting the Coast," Master Plan, that calls for creation of the Coastal Georgia Greenway, has been adopted by previous action Georgia's six coastal counties; and

WHEREAS,

The newly formed Coastal Georgia Greenway, Inc. mission states: "The Coastal Georgia Greenway, Inc. (CGG, Inc.) works with citizens, governments and private economic interests to create a 450-mile regional greenway and multi-use trail system that will conserve the unique natural and cultural resources of Georgia's coast while safely providing educational, recreational and tourism opportunities for the enjoyment and health of both residents and visitors," and

WHEREAS,

The CGG, Inc. has proposed a regional project be submitted to the US Department of Transportation, for the design and construction of two segments of the Coastal Georgia Greenway through-corridor route, including a new 6-mile Jekyll Island Causeway Trail (66.5-miles total) by the September 15th deadline for TIGER grant funding, and

WHEREAS,

The CGG, Inc. will seek authorizing resolutions from the coastal cities and counties in whose jurisdictions the trail passes, and

WHEREAS,

The Coastal Georgia Greenway project will provide a wide range of benefits, ranging from *immediate* job and income creation along with increased property values to less easily quantified improvements in community health, quality of life, social fabric, environmental cleanliness and preservation of green space. The CGG will provide its six host counties (Chatham, Bryan, Liberty, McIntosh, Glynn, and Camden) and the cities therein, with an economic stimulus that will inject millions of dollars into the region and support over 1,400 construction-related jobs at the outset of shovel-ready projects for local contractors. Moreover, state and local governments can expect an economic ripple effect that will create additional tax revenue from increased labor income, retail sales, and property values; and

WHEREAS,

The MillionMile Greenway, Inc. (<http://www.millionmilegreenway.org>) is a non-profit organization that assists local communities in developing or expanding greenways and trails in

their respective areas, and the Coastal Georgia Greenway has been a pilot project of the MillionMile Greenway, Inc. since September of 2008, and

WHEREAS,

No local matching funds are required;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That the MillionMile Greenway, Inc. as part of a Community Starter Grant already awarded to CGG, Inc., resolves to commit up to \$5,500 of total in-kind marketing assistance for the Coastal Georgia Greenway TIGER project, before and after construction, and will make every effort to cooperate with the Georgia Department of Transportation, Coastal Georgia Greenway, Inc., and other applicants toward this end. Adopted this 9th day of September, 2009.

ATTEST:

Victoria L. Edwards
Notary Public

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VICTORIA L. EDWARDS
Notary Public, Cobb County, Georgia
My Commission Expires April 1, 2010