

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2011

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, URGING THE GOVERNOR, STATE REPRESENTATIVE AND STATE SENATORS IN THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT A STATE OF FLORIDA "BOTTLE BILL" TO AMONG OTHER THINGS ENCOURAGE THE RETURN OR RECYCLE OF ALL BEVERAGE CONTAINERS AND OTHER RECYCLABLE MATERIALS; FURTHER DIRECTING THE TOWN CLERK TO TRANSMIT THIS RESOLUTION TO CERTAIN PUBLIC OFFICIALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town Commission recognizes the importance of encouraging a clean and sustainable environment by creating incentives for users of beverage containers to recycle rather than dispose those used containers; and

WHEREAS, states with deposit laws (i.e., bottle bills) have higher residential recycling rates of beverage containers than those of non-deposit states and also enjoy litter decrease by 70-85 %; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature, by enacting the Energy, Climate Change, and Economic Security Act of 2008 (Section 403.7032, Florida Statutes), established a statewide recycling goal of 75% by 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, in its *75% Recycling Goal Report* to the Florida Legislature on January 4, 2010, identified a bottle bill as an option that can contribute to achieving the 75% recycling goal with little or no additional funding; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission believes that it is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of residents of the Town and for the State of Florida to encourage these efforts and in that regard encourage the creation of a bottle bill;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this resolution upon adoption hereof.

Section 2. The Town of Surfside hereby supports legislation that would create a bottle bill.

Section 3. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this resolution to the Governor of the State of Florida, the President of the Florida Senate, the Speaker of the

Florida House of Representatives, and Members of the Florida House of Representatives or Florida Senate introducing legislation in accordance with the terms of this resolution, and the Mayors and Members of the governing bodies of the municipalities within Miami-Dade County.


Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution becomes effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of March 2011.

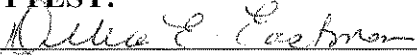
Motion by Commissioner Graubart, second by ~~Commissioner~~ ^{Mayor} Dietch.

FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION

Commissioner Michael Karukin	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Edward Kopelman	<u>no</u>
Commissioner Marta Olchyk	<u>no</u>
Vice Mayor Joseph Graubart	<u>yes</u>
Mayor Daniel Dietch	<u>yes</u>



Daniel Dietch, Mayor

ATTEST:


Debra E. Eastman, MMC
Town Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE ONLY:**



Lynn M. Dannheisser
Town Attorney