## HARRIS CHAIN OF LAKES RESTORATION COUNCIL

## **RESOLUTION No. 2005-1**

A RESOLUTION OF THE HARRIS CHAIN OF LAKES RESTORATION COUNCIL REQUESTING THE ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TO TRANSFER \$1,000,000 IN 2005 STATE APPROPRIATIONS TO THE LAKE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CANAL ACCESS DREDGING EFFORTS ON LAKE GRIFFIN.

**WHEREAS**, the Harris Chain of Lakes Restoration Council (Council) was created under Chapter 2001-246, Laws of Florida, and has the responsibility of recommending a restoration program for the Harris Chain of Lakes in Lake County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, the Harris Chain of Lakes Restoration Council had determined that an important component of restoration activities is the creation of a new management program that will allow lake levels to fluctuate within a broader range, and

**WHEREAS**, such a broader fluctuation program will cause a temporary lowering of lake levels that may inhibit lake access, and

**WHEREAS**, the dredging of access canals will provide improved boating access and public support, and

**WHEREAS**, the Lake County Water Authority has completed that design of, and has received a permit for the dredging of access canals on Lake Griffin, and

**WHEREAS**, the Harris Chain of Lakes Restoration Council submitted a Community Budget Issue Request for canal access dredging needs to the 2005 Florida Legislature, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2005 Florida Legislature appropriated \$1,000,000 to fulfill this request to the St. Johns River Water Management District for restoration of the Harris Chain of Lakes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Harris Chain of Lakes Restoration Council hereby requests that the St. Johns River Water Management District transfer the above referenced \$1,000,000 in 2005 state appropriations to the Lake County Water Authority for the purpose of canal access dredging on Lake Griffin.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2005.

Harris C	hain of Lakes	
Restorat	ion Council	
		, Chairman
	(Hugh Davis)	, Chamman
Date:		