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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
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June 1, 2009, Item # 56

Supervisor **CONNIE M. ROCKCO** moved adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION OF THE HARRISON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACKNOWLEDGING AND ENDORSING THE PROPOSED RESTORATION AND REDEVELOPMENT CONCEPT AS ADOPTED BY THE MISSISSIPPI STATE PORT AUTHORITY FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF THE MISSISSIPPI STATE PORT AT GULFPORT.

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2005 Hurricane Katrina struck the Mississippi Gulf Coast and with neighboring states causing the greatest natural disaster ever to occur in the State of Mississippi and the United States, including almost complete destruction of the facilities and infrastructure of the Mississippi State Port at Gulfport; and

WHEREAS, the Harrison County Board of Supervisors is (insert HCBS' mission statement or purpose); and

WHEREAS, it is recognized by the Harrison County Board of Supervisors and its members that restoration and redevelopment of the Port at Gulfport is vital to the continued economic recovery and development of Harrison County, the Mississippi Gulf Coast, and the entire State of Mississippi from the devastating effects of Hurricane Katrina; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Port of Gulfport's restoration program is to facilitate the restoration of public infrastructure and publicly owned facilities that were destroyed by Hurricane Katrina, to provide storm mitigation against future damage and to provide for the long term recovery of the operating capacity of the Port; and

WHEREAS, the concept adopted for restoration and redevelopment of the Port facilities would allow and accommodate future growth of Port facilities which could bring substantial, new and better jobs; a higher quality of life; facilitate and maximize the future growth of Port operations through private investment while at the same time seeking to minimize community displacement, disruption and intrusion by port activities and operations; and bring business and economic development opportunities into Harrison County, the coastal region, and the State of Mississippi; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Harrison County Board of Supervisors does hereby express its support for the concept adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Mississippi State Port at Gulfport for restoration and redevelopment of the Mississippi State Port at Gulfport, finding and declaring the same essential to our joint mission and purpose of advancing the well being of citizens of Mississippi, especially those in Harrison County; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, the Board of Commissioners of the Mississippi State Port at Gulfport is encouraged to proceed with the restoration and redevelopment of the Mississippi State Port at Gulfport, while continuing to work with Harrison County leaders and interest groups to address and accommodate community needs and concerns with the project.

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Supervisor **KIM B. SAVANT** seconded the motion to adopt the above and foregoing order, whereupon the question was put to a vote with the following results:

Supervisor W. S. SWETMAN III voted AYE

Supervisor KIM B. SAVANT voted AYE

Supervisor MARLIN R. LADNER voted AYE

Supervisor WILLIAM W. MARTIN voted AYE

Supervisor CONNIE ROCKCO voted AYE

The motion having received the affirmative vote from the majority of the supervisors present, the motion was declared carried and the order adopted.

THIS 1st day of June 2009.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF HARRISON

C E R T I F I C A T E

I, JOHN McADAMS, Chancery Clerk and Ex Officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Harrison County, Mississippi, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Order or Resolution passed by the Board of Supervisors and entered at its **JUNE 2009 TERM** on **JUNE 1, 2009**, as fully as of record in my office in Gulfport, Mississippi, of which I am the official custodian.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of the Board of Supervisors, at my office in Gulfport, Mississippi, on this 6th day of October 2009.

JOHN McADAMS
Chancery Clerk and Ex Officio Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors of
Harrison County, Mississippi

By:

Hensietta Caronna
Deputy Clerk

