

**RESOLUTION NO: 2019-017**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION OF NORTH BAY VILLAGE, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR NORTH BAY VILLAGE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN FLOOD COALITION; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (*INTRODUCED BY VICE-MAYOR MARVIN WILMOTH*)**

**WHEREAS**, flooding during king tides is already a costly nuisance and a problem that if unaddressed will grow worse as sea levels continue to rise; and

**WHEREAS**, sea level rise has risen eight inches since 1950 and its speed has increased threefold in recent years, with scientific projections forecasting another 8 inches of sea level rise in the next 20 years; and

**WHEREAS**, sea level rise of just 4 inches in the last 10 years has increased flooding state-wide by 400%; and

**WHEREAS**, sea level rise poses a unique threat to all Florida given the limestone bedrock beneath much of the state which allows rising sea water to infiltrate sewage systems and threaten groundwater supplies via salt water intrusion; and

**WHEREAS**, proactively investing to prevent flooding is a wiser use of resources than spending on flooding recovery, as exemplified by FEMA research showing that \$1 of spent on disaster prevention saves \$4 in recovery costs; and

**WHEREAS**, national coordination and support are necessary for coastal towns to fully address the challenge of sea level rise and flooding, and the American Flood Coalition provides a platform advocating for national solutions to sea level rise and flooding that invest in and protect our coastal communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Flood Coalition is a forum for best practices and support in developing local and state-level responses to sea level rise and flooding that will enhance the Village's sea level rise effort, and

**WHEREAS**, sea level rise and flooding are important issues that our residents deserve to understand and the American Flood Coalition provides opportunities and tools to communicate with residents on sea level rise challenges and solutions, and

**WHEREAS**, joining the American Flood Coalition will aid the Village's efforts to protect against flooding without requiring any financial support or dues from the Village Commission, and

**WHEREAS**, [reference existing flood prevention and sea level rise work done by the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Commission finds that joining the American Flood Coalition will promote the welfare of Village residents and ensure the prosperity of the Village economy by accelerating solutions to sea level rise and flooding; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF NORTH BAY VILLAGE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.**                    **Recitals.**        The above Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 2.**                    North Bay Village recognizes the need to advance national solutions to sea level rise and flooding and will work as a member of the American Flood Coalition to safeguard the welfare of the Village's residents.

**Section 3.**                    **Severability.**        If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this Resolution is held invalid, the remainder of this Resolution shall not be affected by such invalidity.


**Section 4.**                    **Effective Date.**        This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner Andreana Jackson, who moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Julianna Strout, and upon being put to vote as follows:

**FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:**

Mayor Brent Latham	<u>yes</u>
Vice Mayor Marvin Wilmoth	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Jose R. Alvarez	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Julianna Strout	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Andreana Jackson	<u>yes</u>

**PASS AND ADOPTED** this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February 2019.

  
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Brent Latham, Mayor

ATTEST:

~~Graciela Mariot, Interim Village Clerk~~

*Elora Rivera, EMC, Village Clerk*

**APPROVED AS TO FORM FOR THE USE OF  
NORTH BAY VILLAGE:**

~~Law Office of Norman C. Powell~~

By:

~~Norman C. Powell, Village Attorney~~

*Weiss Serota Helfman, et al.*

North Bay Village Resolution 2019-017: NBV to Join American Flood Coalition