

CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA;
IN SUPPORT OF SEVERING THE TIES OF MIAMI-
DADE, BROWARD, AND PALM BEACH COUNTIES FROM
THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND ESTABLISHING THEIR
OWN 51ST STATE OF THE FEDERAL UNION OF THE
UNITED STATES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS;
PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR
AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the State of Florida became a United States territory in 1819 and entered the Federal Union of the United States of America as a state in 1845, and;

WHEREAS, Florida has grown from a thinly populated rural state to the fourth most populous state of the United States. Population estimated to be nearly 19 million, and;

WHEREAS, the State of Florida has grow from two initial counties to that of sixty-seven counties of which the most populous and urban are the three counties of Miami- Dade, Broward,, and Palm Beach and;

WHEREAS, the counties of Miami Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach being the most populated, and have out of necessity, requirements for conducting their affairs, that are different and often times more intense than other portions of the State and;

WHEREAS, local governments representing the citizens within the counties of Miami Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach earnestly feel that the government of the State of Florida has, as in the past, but more so today, ignored the requirements of the citizens which comprise the three most populous counties of southeast Florida both for funding from the of the State government of Florida and for laws and regulations which are needed to secure the quality of life, benefits of liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and;

WHEREAS, Southeast Florida contributes more tax revenue to the State of Florida that it receives from the present State government, and;

WHEREAS, the above described local governments have been refused access to many state elected officials to even discuss the problems of Southeast Florida, and;

WHEREAS, the Declaration of Independence of the United States of America provides that;

"whenever any ...government becomes destructive of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness it is the right of the people to alter or abolish and to institute new government..." , and;

WHEREAS, local governments within the southeast State of Florida clearly believe the conduct of the government of the state of Florida, particularly the legislature of same, has been destructive of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness for said area and;

WHEREAS, local governments within Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach, believe that it is in the best interest of its citizens to sever the ties that said citizens have with the State of Florida and formulate and establish their own state of the Federal Union of the United States.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Commission of the City of Margate Florida,

Section 1: That the above preamble be hereby endorsed and adopted herein.

Section 2: The City Commission of the City of Margate Florida goes on record supporting an Act of Congress reorganizing a 51st state of the Federal Union comprised of the counties of Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach within the area of the State of Florida.

Section 3: That a certified copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the elected head of government of the counties and municipalities within Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach counties.

Section 4: That a certified copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the Congressional Delegation of the state of Florida, to the President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States, and President pro tem of the Senate of the United States.

SECTION 5: All resolutions or parts of resolutions on in conflict herewith be, and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 6: If any clause, section, other part of application of the Resolution is held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, in part or application, it shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Resolution.

SECTION 7: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 7TH DAY OF MAY, 2008.

ATTEST:

LESLIE RAE WALLACE
CITY CLERK

MAYOR PAM DONOVAN

RECORD OF VOTE

McLean	_____
Talerico	_____
Varsallone	_____
Bross	_____
Donovan	_____