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RE: US Bicycle Route System Letter of Support

The Nassau County Board of County Commissioners would like to offer our support for the designation of proposed US Bicycle Route 1 (USBR 1) through Nassau County. We recognize that bicycle tourism is a growing industry in North American, contributing \$47 billion a year to the economies of communities that provide facilities for such tourists. As a county, we stand to benefit from this opportunity both economically and from the health and environmental related benefits of encouraging bicycle travel in our region.

The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) has designated a bicycle route corridor through Florida to be developed as USBR 1. Nassau County lies within that corridor and we have investigated the proposed route and found it to be suitable for bicycle tourists.

The proposed route for USBR 1 will provide a benefit to our county and we endorse having the route mapped and signed, thereby promoting bicycle tourism in our area. Therefore, Nassau County hereby expresses its support for the designation USBR1, and requests that the appropriate officials nominate the route for AASHTO designation as soon as this can be achieved.

Sincerely,

Daniel B. Leeper
Chairman

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