

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RELATING TO PROPOSED SPECIAL LEGISLATION TO CREATE **THE UPLANDS STEWARDSHIP DISTRICT**; STATING THAT THE COUNTY HAS NO OBJECTION TO CREATION OF THE DISTRICT BY ENACTMENT OF THE LEGISLATION PROVIDED TO THE COUNTY AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 189.031(2)(E)4., FLORIDA STATUTES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Marion County (the “County”) has received a proposal from the Florida Legislature to establish the Uplands Stewardship District (the “District”) as an independent special district encompassing lands located in the unincorporated area of the County; and

WHEREAS, Section 189.031(2)(e)4., Florida Statutes, prohibits creation of an independent special district without a resolution or official statement of the governing body for the local jurisdiction in which the proposed district is located, stating that the creation of the proposed district is consistent with the approved local government plans of the local governing body and that the local government has no objection to the creation of the proposed district; and

WHEREAS, the creation of the District by the Florida Legislature is not a growth management approval and does not divest the County of any regulatory, zoning, permitting, or other authority the County has under Florida law; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Marion County, Florida (the “Board”) has considered the request for the Florida Legislature to create the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 189.031(2)(e)4., FLORIDA STATUTES. The County has no objection to the creation of the proposed District by enactment of the proposed legislation reviewed by the County and attached hereto as **Appendix A** and confirms that the requirements of section 189.031(2)(e)4., Florida Statutes, are met.

SECTION 2. TRANSMITTAL TO THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE. The County Administrator is authorized and directed to provide an official copy of

this resolution to the local delegation of the Florida Legislature in and for Marion County, Florida.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this ____ day of August, 2025.

ATTEST:
GREGORY C. HARRELL,
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Gregory C. Harrell

By: _____
Kathy Bryant, Chairman

Approved as to form and legality:

Matthew G. Minter
County Attorney