

RESOLUTION NO. 147

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RETAINING AND  
CONTINUING TO OPERATE THE PANAMA CITY  
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES LABORATORY

WHEREAS, the Panama City Laboratory of the National Marine Fisheries Service has undertaken since 1966, and continues to carry out a unique mission which performs the Marine research that provides the biological basis for rational management of our Gulf and South Atlantic fishery resources; and

WHEREAS, none of the research performed at the Panama City Laboratory is performed anywhere else in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the research performed at the Panama City Laboratories is of national importance to all Americans and is of particular economic importance to both producers and consumers of seafood from the Gulf and South Atlantic.

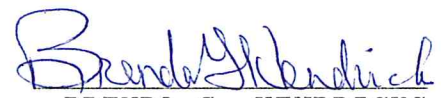
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Parker, Florida City Council that the National Marine Fisheries Service of the U.S. Department of Commerce and its Southeast Fisheries Science Center, retain and continue to operate the Panama City Laboratory and its economically and biologically important research programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the National Marine Fisheries Service reverse the announcement released to the Panama City News Herald on December 31, 1994 addressing an intention to close the Panama City Laboratory; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Parker, Florida City Council call upon U.S. Senators Connie Mack and Bob Graham and our U.S. Congressman Joe Scarborough and Doug Peterson to take the actions necessary to ensure that the Panama City Laboratory remains on ongoing research facility for the National Marine Fisheries Service.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City of Parker, Florida on this 17th day of January, 1995.

CITY OF PARKER

  
BRENDA G. HENDRICKS  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
DAVID LINGER, CITY CLERK