

RESOLUTION 2012-31 RESPECTULLY URGING GOVERNOR ROBERT BENTLEY TO CONTINUE THE FIGHT RELATED TO THE RESTORE ACT

WHEREAS, the Gulf Coast of the United States suffered extensive environmental and economic damage as a result of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill in 2010; and

WHEREAS, this summer Congress passed the RESTORE ACT which would dedicate eighty percent of the Clean Water Act fine money paid after the spill to the five affected Gulf States; and

WHEREAS, the RESTORE ACT specifically provides for economic restoration along with emphasizing the importance of environmental restoration; and

WHEREAS, the RESTORE ACT provides that spending of fine money in each state is limited to the affected counties of that state; and

WHEREAS, recent media reports have indicated that a settlement may minimize the amount paid in Clean Water Act fines, thereby placing more control of penalty money in the hands of the federal government; and

WHEREAS, any settlement which would diminish Clean Water Act fine money would take the decisions of how the money would best be spent out of the hands of those directly affected.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Perdido Beach does hereby respectfully urge Governor Robert Bentley to continue the fight to see a settlement which ensures that the RESTORE ACT is upheld, thereby ensuring that the bulk of the money will be used for economic and environmental restoration, as determined by the decisions of those who suffered from the spill.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council directs this instrument to be signed by the Mayor and immediately conveyed to Governor Robert Bentley and Attorney General Luther Strange.

ADOPTED this <u>20th</u> day of <u>November</u>, <u>2012</u> by the Town Council of the Town of Perdido Beach, in regular session assembled and under the Seal of the Town of Perdido Beach.

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