

**CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA
RESOLUTION 2004-156**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, ENCOURAGING THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO DEVOTE CERTAIN PROCEEDS TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM OR A GRANT PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR CONTRACTORS AND THEIR CLIENTS TO VOLUNTARILY USE CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION TECHNIQUES AND MATERIALS DURING RECONSTRUCTION FOLLOWING NATURAL DISASTERS

WHEREAS, natural disasters, especially hurricanes, wildfires, and floods, produce substantial social and economic losses each year in cities, towns, and villages across the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, these disasters often result in substantial damage and destruction and resulting reconstruction of homes and businesses in Florida's cities, towns, and villages; and

WHEREAS, there are proven construction techniques and materials that can minimize a home or building's vulnerability to these events and can thereby improve a city's ability to timely respond to these disasters; and

WHEREAS, while these techniques and materials are not necessarily expensive, they can have an impact on the affordability of reconstruction following these events; and

WHEREAS, research and studies have found that financial incentives can encourage contractors and their clients to voluntarily use these techniques and materials during reconstruction following these disasters; and

WHEREAS, local building departments are in a position to help assure financial incentives received by contractors and their clients are devoted to these construction techniques and materials during reconstruction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

Section 2. That the State of Florida devote a portion of federal and state proceeds resulting from Hurricanes Charley, Frances, Ivan, and Jeanne to establish either a pilot program

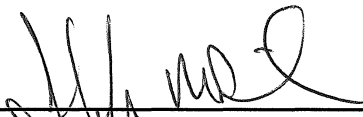
or a grant program administered by participating local building departments that provides financial incentives for contractors and their clients to voluntarily use proven construction techniques and materials during reconstruction that minimize a home or building's vulnerability to natural disasters.

Section 3. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Lieutenant Governor of the State of Florida, to the Secretary of Florida's Department of Community Affairs, to the Building Officials Association of Florida, and to the Florida League of Cities, Inc.

Section 4. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and shall prevail over any previous Resolutions to the extent of any conflict.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the city of Marathon, Florida, this 14th day of December, 2004.


THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA



Jeffrey M. Pinkus, Mayor

AYES: Bartus, Bull, Mearns, Miller, Pinkus
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

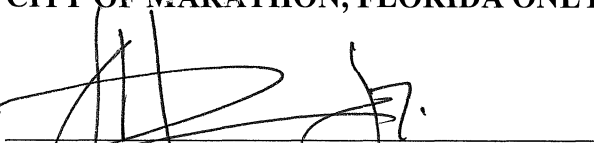
ATTEST:



Cindy L. Ecklund
City Clerk

(City Seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA ONLY:



City Attorney