

**CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA  
RESOLUTION 2018-38**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF A SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT BY THE MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO SUPPORT THE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT OF CONSTRUCTING AND OPERATING A NEW HOSPITAL IN MARATHON**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marathon recognizes the importance of and supports retaining a community hospital for quality health care in Marathon and the Middle Keys while aiding in the investment in our community and preserving our home values by maintaining health care services and the construction of our community hospital; and

**WHEREAS**, Fishermen's Community Hospital is closed due to the effects of Hurricane Irma; and

**WHEREAS**, Baptist Health South Florida, which owns Fishermen's Community Hospital, has announced plans to build an entirely new hospital in Marathon; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Monroe County Commissioners may propose the creation of a special taxing district to support the infrastructure investment of constructing and operating a new hospital; and

**WHEREAS**, special districts ensure accountability of public resources, since special districts are held to the same high standards as municipalities and counties; and

**WHEREAS**, this Council is in support of the creation of a special taxing district from the 47<sup>th</sup> mile marker to the 63<sup>rd</sup> mile marker for a term of ten years or less at a millage rate of .5 mils or less;

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

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

**Section 2.** The City Council supports the creation of a special taxing district for a term not to exceed ten years and at a millage rate not to exceed 0.5 mils to support the infrastructure investment of constructing and operating a new hospital in Marathon.

**Section 3.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THIS 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2018.**

**THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA**

  
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**Michelle Coldiron, Mayor**

AYES: Senmartin, Zieg, Bartus, Coldiron  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: Cook  
ABSTAIN: None

**ATTEST:**

  
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Diane Clavier, City Clerk

(City Seal)

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

  
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David Migut, City Attorney