

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, under present conditions tourists travelling from the West into Northwest Florida are unable to continue their travel into the Central and Southern parts of the State by any direct route; and

WHEREAS, the highly publicized Gulf Coastal Route (U. S. Highway 98) is completely inadequate as a modern arterial highway; and

WHEREAS, State Road 22 from Panama City, Florida to Newaitchka, Florida, as it presently exists, constitutes a 36-mile extension of U. S. Highway 98 which would serve as a basis for the construction of a direct route from the Panhandle to the Central and Southern portions of the State; and

WHEREAS, an extension of said State Road 22 from Newaitchka, Florida would reduce the mileage from the Northwest Florida area to Tallahassee, East and South Florida, by about fifteen miles to forty miles; and

WHEREAS, this direct route would be of great economic significance to the tourist attraction known as the Miracle Strip, and to the fishing and vacation mecca of the Apalachicola Basin; and

WHEREAS, said route would expedite industrial and commercial transportation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Commission that the State Road Department of Florida be, and it is hereby requested to extend State Road 22 from Newaitchka easterly to connect with available highway facilities to complete a direct route to the Perry, Florida area.

RESOLVED FURTHER that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Commission and that copies be sent to the appropriate officials.

Passed in regular session of the City Commission this

4 day of March, 1968.

ATTEST:

W. J. Williams
City Clerk

Sean Barnes
MAYOR

Approved by me this 4 day of March, 1968.

Robert Barnes