

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - ___

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA, REDUCING THE SPEED LIMIT TO 30MPH AND PERMITTING THE USAGE OF GOLF CARTS DURING DAYTIME HOURS WITHIN THE HERNANDO BEACH BUSINESS DISTRICT ON SHOAL LINE BOULEVARD BETWEEN BLUEFISH DRIVE AND CALIENTA STREET. GOLF CARTS WILL BE PERMITTED TO TRAVEL WITH OTHER VEHICLES ON SHOAL LINE BOULEVARD AND WITHIN THE ADJACENT RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS TO THE WEST OF SHOAL LINE BOULEVARD. PURSUANT TO CHAPTERS 316.212, AND 316.2126, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR PLACEMENT OF "30 MPH" AND "GOLF CART" SIGNS WITH YELLOW BEACONS; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 316.006(3), *Florida Statutes*, Hernando County has original jurisdiction over all streets and highways located within Hernando County, excluding state roads and streets and highways within municipalities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 316.006(3), *Florida Statutes*, Hernando County may place and maintain traffic control devices, which conform to the specifications of the Florida Department of Transportation, upon all streets and highways under its jurisdiction as the County deems necessary to regulate, warn or guide traffic; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 316.212(1), *Florida Statutes*, A golf cart may be operated only upon a county road that has been designated by a county, for use by golf carts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 316.2126(1)(c), *Florida Statutes*, Golf carts may be operated only on roadways that have a posted speed limit of 30mph or less; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 316.212(5), *Florida Statutes*, A golf cart may be operated only during the hours between sunrise and sunset, unless the responsible governmental entity has determined that a golf cart may be operated during the hours between sunset and sunrise and the golf cart is equipped with headlights, brake lights, turn signals, and a windshield; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 316.212(6), *Florida Statutes*, A golf cart must be equipped with efficient brakes, reliable steering apparatus, safe tires, a rearview mirror, and red reflectorized warning devices in both the front and rear; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 316.212(7)(a)(b), *Florida Statutes*, A golf cart may not be operated on public roads or streets by a person; Who is under 18 years of age unless he or she possesses a valid learner's driver license or valid driver license; Who is 18 years of age or older unless he or she possesses a valid form of government-issued photographic identification; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works - Engineering Division, has determined the placement of the signage for the Hernando Beach Business District, as shown on **EXHIBIT A** attached

hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that allowing golf carts within the Hernando Beach Business District, as shown on **EXHIBIT A**, is in the public’s best interest and contributes to enhanced accessibility and convenience for residents and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Hernando Beach Business District. For purposes of this Resolution, the Hernando Beach Business District is defined to be that area of Shoal Line Boulevard between Bluefish Drive and Calienta Street.

SECTION 2. Findings. Pursuant to Chapter 316, *Florida Statutes*, the Board of County Commissioners has received the report of the Department of Public Works - Engineering Division, advising that sufficient indicators are present in which to lawfully lower the speed limit to 30MPH within the Hernando Beach Business District and depicting the placement of the necessary signage to adjust the speed limit to 30MPH. Additionally, there are sufficient findings in the report to authorize the use of golf carts within the Hernando Beach Business District and adjacent residential neighborhoods during daylight hours. The Board also finds that **it** is in the public’s best interest to make these changes and that they contribute to enhance accessibility and convenience for residents and visitors.

SECTION 3. 30MPH, Golf Cart and Yellow Beacons to be Placed. "30MPH," "GOLF CART" signs and yellow caution beacons may be placed within the right of way on Shoal Line Boulevard as shown in the attached EXHIBIT A.

SECTION 4. Penalties. Any person found guilty of violating the golf cart restrictions established by this Resolution shall be punished according to the provisions of Chapter 316, Florida Statutes, the Florida Uniform Traffic Control Law, Section 316.655, Penalties, and Chapter 318, Disposition of Traffic Infractions.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED IN REGULAR SESSION THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2025, A.D.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA**

ATTEST:

**DOUGLAS A. CHORVAT, JR.
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT & COMPTROLLER**

**BRIAN HAWKINS
CHAIR**

(SEAL)

**Approved As To Form
And Legal Sufficiency**

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