

RESOLUTION NUMBER 25-_____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC OF VARIOUS RIGHTS-OF-WAY LOCATED BETWEEN HOLLY HILL ROAD AND FLORIDA DEVELOPMENT ROAD

WHEREAS, pursuant to §336.02, Fla. Stat., the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, (hereinafter "POLK COUNTY") is invested with the general superintendence and control of the county roads within Polk County; and

WHEREAS, §316.008, Fla. Stat. authorize local governments to prohibit use of roads and to prohibit specified types of vehicles; and

WHEREAS, incidents of off-road vehicle, motorcycle and all-terrain vehicle use by the public as well as other unwanted activities occurring within public rights-of-way lying generally between Holly Hill Road and Florida Development Road as more particularly described in the Exhibit "A" (hereinafter "Closure Areas") have recently been reported; and

WHEREAS, the majority of the Closure Areas are currently not being utilized by the County for a public roadway; and

WHEREAS, closing the Closure Areas to public vehicular traffic and installing no trespassing signs and/or a vehicular barrier would assist in thwarting the unwanted activities within the Closure Areas; and

WHEREAS, it would be necessary to continue to provide access to the subject Closure Areas to the providers of public services, including but not limited to medical, emergency, fire protection, law enforcement, and public utility service providers; and

WHEREAS, the temporary closure of the Closure Areas does not constitute a waiver, abandonment, or release of POLK COUNTY's right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, POLK COUNTY may re-open the Closure Areas, or any portions thereof, to public vehicular traffic and remove said signage and/or barrier at any time, should it deem the action necessary for any reason whatsoever without prior notice; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, that the Closure Area, as generally depicted in the aerial drawing attached hereto as Exhibit "B", shall be and is hereby temporarily closed to public vehicular traffic access until such time as Polk County deems it necessary to reopen the Closure Area, or any portion thereof, to public vehicular traffic for any reason whatsoever.

FURTHER, the providers of public services, including but not limited to medical, emergency, fire protection, law enforcement, and public utility service providers are not subject to this temporary closure and shall be granted access.

ADOPTED, this 4th day of March, 2025.

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF POLK

I, STACY M. BUTTERFIELD, Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, do hereby certify that the above Resolution is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by said Board on the 4th day of March, 2025.

**STACY M. BUTTERFIELD
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA**

BY: _____
Deputy Clerk

Exhibit "A"

That part of an unimproved right-of-way strip, that runs in a north and south direction, lying in the North 1/2 of Section 32, Township 26 South, Range 27 East, Polk County, Florida, being generally described as follows:

From the north right-of-way line of Holly Hill Road, thence North, along each side of the west line of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 32, to the south line of Jyoti Drive;

And then from the north line of Jyoti Drive, thence North, along each side of said west line, to the south right-of-way line of Florida Development Road.

AND

That part of an unimproved right-of-way strip, that runs in an east and west direction, (the westerly end is known as Holly Hill Fruit Road) lying in the North 1/2 of Section 32, Township 26 South, Range 27 East, Polk County, Florida, being generally described as follows:

From the west line of the East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 32, thence East, along each side of the south line of the North 1/4 of said Section 32, to the west line of TRACT "A" OPENSOURCE, as depicted on RIDGEWOOD LAKES PHASE 1 VILLAGE 14, as recorded in Plat Book 167, Pages 18 thru 23 of the Public Records of Polk County, Florida.

Exhibit "B"

(General Depiction of Temporary Closure Area)

