

RESOLUTION NO. 24-_____

**RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE
WEBSITE AS THE CONTROLLING AND OFFICIAL FORM WHEN
THERE IS PUBLICATION BOTH ONLINE AND IN NEWSPAPERS;
DIRECTING DIVISIONS TO PUBLISH LEGALLY REQUIRED
ADVERTISEMENTS AND PUBLIC NOTICES ONLINE AND IN
NEWSPAPERS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, Chapter 50, Fla. Stat., authorizes a county to designate a county's official website or other private website as a Publicly Accessible Website for the publication of legal notices and advertisements; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners intends to designate a Publicly Accessible Website for the publication of legal notices and advertisements to the extent allowed by law; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners intends to continue publishing legally required advertisements and public notices in newspapers while simultaneously publishing them on the Publicly Accessible Website; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners means to clarify the Publicly Accessible Website publication shall be the controlling and official version in cases where there are discrepancies between the online publication and the newspaper publication.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA:**

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated by reference into this Resolution.
2. Divisions and departments are directed to publish legally required advertisements and public notices in both a newspaper and on the Publicly Accessible Website. However, this does not apply to publications and notices required by the Polk County Comprehensive Plan or the Polk County Land Development Code.
3. If there is a discrepancy between the online form of publication and the newspaper form of publication, then the online version posted on the Publicly Accessible Website shall be the controlling and official form of publication. Discrepancies include, without limitation, differences in the date of publication and the language used in the publication.
4. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED IN REGULAR SESSION DULY ASSEMBLED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2024.

**ATTEST:
STACY M. BUTTERFIELD, CLERK**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

By: _____