Resolution -

Northeast Florida Regional Council

2012-1

Honoring

The Officers, Board of Directors and Members of the Regional Community Institute of Northeast Florida, Inc.

WHEREAS, the Regional Community Institute of Northeast Florida, Inc. (RCI) was created by the Northeast Florida Regional Council (NEFRC) to assist with regional issues; and

WHEREAS, RCI consists of the current membership of NEFRC and all graduates of the Regional Leadership Academy, forming a body of regionalists uniquely equipped to understand the needs of Northeast Florida; and

WHEREAS, NEFRC tasked RCI with the creation of a 50 year vision for growth and development in the Region in 2008, to inform the update to the Strategic Regional Policy Plan; and

WHEREAS, RCI participated in the kick-off of visioning efforts in 2009 by participating in Reality Check First Coast, and has worked ever since on gathering data, proposing policies appropriate to our Region, gathering public input from all seven counties, and creating the vision document, and

WHEREAS, RCI produced First Coast Vision on the timeline promised, presented it to the NEFRC in October 2011 and announced it to the public in December 2011, and

WHEREAS, RCI is to be recognized for the dedication of time and talent of its members, and especially its Officers and Board of Directors, to produce a vision that the Region can make good use of and of which it can be proud. We wish especially to recognize the Officers and Board of Directors of RCI:

Robert Rhodes, Esq. Chair

Mr. Michael Boyle, Vice Chair

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Mr. David Reed

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Dr. Quint White

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the policy body of the Northeast Florida Regional Council hereby commends the Regional Community Institute of Northeast Florida, Inc. for its many contributions and for First Coast Vision, and expresses its sincere appreciation for their services.

Unanimously adopted by the Northeast Florida Regional Council in a regular meeting assembled in the City of Jacksonville, the fifth day of January, 2012.

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