

RESOLUTION NO. R-2009- 1923

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING H.R. 3745, THE COMMUNITY ACCESS PRESERVATION ACT, WHICH ADDRESSES CRITICAL AND IMMEDIATE THREATS TO LOCAL PUBLIC, EDUCATION AND GOVERNMENT ACCESS CHANNELS AND DIRECTING STAFF TO FORWARD THIS RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND TO OTHER APPROPRIATE ORGANIZATIONS.**

**WHEREAS**, public, educational and government (PEG) channels, such as PBC-TV Channel 20 and The Education Network, play a significant role in Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, PEG channels are a unique and valuable resource for local information and discourse for the residents of Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, PEG channels televise local government meetings, including those of this Board, among others, so that citizens are informed about both the actions taken by their local elected officials as well as the programs and services provided by their local government; and

**WHEREAS**, PEG channels provide a window through which residents can view the diversity of cultures, recreational activities and artistic endeavors in their local community; and

**WHEREAS**, PEG channels reflect the unique identity of the communities they serve; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important to preserve PEG channels and funding for PEG channels, and to ensure that these channels continue to be available to the entire community to serve the residents of Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, H.R. 3745, the Community Access Preservation Act, addresses critical and immediate threats to these PEG channels.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:**

**Section 1:** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon its adoption.

**Section 2:** The Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners supports immediate passage of H.R. 3745, and calls on our Congressional delegation to take all possible actions in support of the passage of H.R. 3745, including, but not limited to, endorsing, co-sponsoring and voting for H.R. 3745, and to work for its rapid passage.

**Section 3:** County staff is hereby directed to distribute this Resolution to the Florida Congressional Delegation, other members of Congress, and other appropriate organizations.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner Marcus, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Aaronson and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

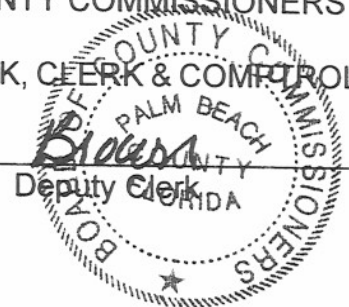
Commissioner Jeff Koons, Chairman	Aye
Commissioner Burt Aaronson, Vice Chairman	
Commissioner Karen T. Marcus	Aye
Commissioner Shelley Vana	Aye
Commissioner Steven L. Abrams	Aye
Commissioner Jess R. Santamaria	Aye
Commissioner Priscilla A. Taylor	Aye

The Chairman thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed and adopted this 3rd day of November, 2009.

PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SHARON R. BOCK, CLERK & COMPTROLLER

By: Diane Bowers  
Deputy Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

By: [Signature]  
Assistant County Attorney