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The Treasure Coast Foreign Trade Zone #218
St. Lucie County
2300 Virginia Avenue
Fort Pierce, FL 32982

Dear Chairwoman Frannie Hutchinson:

On behalf of the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners, I am writing this letter to document the support of Indian River County for inclusion within the Service Area of Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) #218. We understand that this means that the grantee, The Treasure Coast Foreign Trade Zone, will be able to apply to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board for authority to serve sites located within this county based on businesses' trade-related needs. We also note that the zone will be made available on a uniform basis to companies within this county, in a manner consistent with the legal requirement that each FTZ be operated as a public utility.

Regarding state or local taxes for which collections may be affected by FTZ designation of sites, this letter is not intended to provide a position on state or local tax issues for any site within this jurisdiction. At the time that any specific site is proposed for FTZ designation, parties potentially affected by the site's proposed designation (such as a local school board) will need to provide their own correspondence indicating their views on the impact on tax collections related to the proposed designation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peter D. O'Bryan". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Peter D. O'Bryan, Chairman
Indian River Board of County Commissioners

CC:

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