

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE \$14.8 MILLION CAPITAL OUTLAY REQUEST OF INDIAN RIVER STATE COLLEGE FOR THE TREASURE COAST ADVANCED MANUFACTURING CENTER.**

**WHEREAS**, serving as the primary workforce training and technical service provider for Indian River County, Indian River State College is ideally positioned to grow manufacturing and trade industries on the Treasure Coast; and

**WHEREAS**, over the past two years, Indian River State College has committed \$2 million in private funding and received \$6.5 million in legislative appropriations from the State of Florida toward a \$23.3 million state-of-the-art Treasure Coast Advanced Manufacturing Center; and

**WHEREAS**, while the region is most appreciative of this public support, this critically important facility is \$14.8 million short of breaking ground; and

**WHEREAS**, a 2017 Treasure Coast Skills Gap Study completed by the EDC of St. Lucie County, Gehant & Associates, and in collaboration with business and educational leaders across Okeechobee & the Treasure Coast, identifies the planned Indian River State College Treasure Coast Advanced Manufacturing Center as a vital resource for filling many of the high demand jobs in trades and manufacturing; and

**WHEREAS**, our community is well aware of EMSI and Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) employment projections substantiating the growing, high-wage employment opportunities in sustainable building construction, smart manufacturing, automotive technology, HVAC, metal fabrication and specialized trades; and

**WHEREAS**, a modernized industrial skills facility is the most promising means to address these present and future needs; and

**WHEREAS**, supporting the request of Indian River State College will result in a strong return on investment of public funds, offering new opportunities for citizens to gain quick, affordable training in fields with extensive openings;

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

1. The Board of County Commissioners of Indian River County fully supports the \$14.8 million capital outlay request of Indian River State College for the Treasure Coast Advanced Manufacturing Center and its far-reaching implications for economic and workforce development

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The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, and, upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Chairman Joseph E. Flescher	_____
Vice Chairman Peter D. O'Bryan	_____
Commissioner Susan Adams	_____
Commissioner Bob Solari	_____
Commissioner Tim Zorc	_____

The Chairman thereupon declared the Resolution duly passed and adopted this \_\_\_day of October, 2017.

Attest: Jeffrey R. Smith, Clerk of Court and Comptroller

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph E. Flescher, Chairman

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

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Dylan Reingold  
County Attorney