## INDIAN RIVER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 9, 2023

SUBJECT: Appointment to Environmental Land Acquisition Panel

FROM: Laura Moss

Commissioner, District 5

It is my pleasure to announce that James L. Connaughton, JD shall serve as my Appointee representing District 5 on the Environmental Lands Acquisition Panel (ELAP).

Among his many accomplishments, Mr. Connaughton's experience includes acting as Chairman of the White House Council on Environmental Quality. In this capacity, he worked with the President and Congress, as well as, state and global leaders to develop and implement energy, environment, natural resource, and climate change policies. An avid ocean conservationist, Mr. Connaughton led the creation of four of the largest and most ecologically diverse marine resource conservation areas in the world, for which he received Oceana's Ocean Champion Award. As a lifelong conservationist having made his home here, Mr. Connaughton has a keen interest in our local environmental matters and, for example, has worked on Everglades Restoration.