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ACHIEVEMENT IN PROTECTION OF BIRDS
(as set forth in B.O.I. 1985-87)

DISTRICT XII

UPPER KEYS GARDEN CLUB, INC.

P. O. BOX 373

TAVERNIER, FLORIDA 33070

FRANCES TRACY GARDEN CENTER

(Designated Bird Sanctuary)

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF GARDEN CLUBS, INC.

APPLICATION FOR AWARD

DISTRICT # XII

DATE OF APPLICATION 10/22/86 AWARD TO BE PRESENTED IN 198 6

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APPLICANT'S NAME: (Club(s), Circle and Club, Council, Individual, High School, Intermediate, Junior or other youth unit and sponsoring club.)

NAME UPPER KEYS GARDEN CLUB, INC. DISTRICT XII F.F.G.C.

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(currently 61 members) 100% participation

TITLE AND DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACHIEVEMENT: ACHIEVEMENT IN PROTECTION OF BIRDS

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SIGNATURE: CLUB OR CIRCLE PRESIDENT Mrs. Lynn Shullaw Keys.

ADDRESS 245 Hibiscus St. Tavernier, F L 33070

NAME OF LOCAL AWARDS CHAIRMAN Barbara A. Green and Betty B. Wilson co-chairpersons

ADDRESS OF LOCAL AWARDS CHAIRMAN 215 Tide Ave. Tavernier, F L 33070

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STATE CHAIRMAN OF President

NAME Mrs. Augustus Williams Jr.

ADDRESS 511 Eleuthera Lane

Indian Harbour Beach

Florida 32937



Received Book of Evidence

#46 Tree Planting
Award

12/31/86

Shirley A. Cook
Tree Chairman

Sinclair Lewis



TO Betty B. Wilson
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FRANCES TRACY GARDEN CENTER

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Upper Keys Garden Club

Frances Tracy Garden Center

Planting for the protection of Birds

Our story begins

Our Frances Tracy Garden Center grounds are large, and we have a 200' frontage on U.S. 1 (the overseas highway), since the new Highway Beautification program was to emphasize color, we added six *Tabebuia Argentina* and six *Jacaranda*, to our mostly native grounds. (See following lists for other new plantings in our Bird Sanctuary) We do not use feeding stations, as such, but our tree and shrubbery list, draw and feed many varieties of birds. We spent \$550.00 on this. for 1985.

We do have several water stations for the Birds, and try to keep them filled. It is such a pleasure to walk around our Bird Sanctuary or just relax on one of the benches, and watch the birds. Especially through March to May, and again August through November. We have identified 21 species of warblers on our Migratory Track. Our winter birds, are of course the Cardinals, Mockingbirds, Fly catchers, and blue gray Gnat Catcher, and a few warblers...the Palm, Cape May and many cat-birds.

Through our efforts and those of the State Board (Hazel and Elise) we were able to keep the \$6,734.00 worth of trees, that were destined for the Highway Planting...And they have been planted in groupings for bird sanctuaries the whole length of the Florida Keys. And we have added our help and a contribution of \$500. to the 13 mile stretch (M M 106 down to M M 93) of Highway beautification using shrubbery.



Frances Tracy Garden Center M.M. 94

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UPPER KEYS GARDEN CLUB, INC.
FRANCIS TRACY GARDEN CENTER
Designated Bird Sanctuary

VERCHIA MERRILLII
Christmas Palm

PISIDIA PISIPULIA
Jamaican Dogwood

BURSERIA SIMARUBA
Gumbo Limbo

LYSILOMA BAHAMENSIS
Wild Tamarind

INTEGERRIMA
Jatropha

COCOLOBA UVIFERA
Sea Grape

BOURRERIA OVATUM
Strongbark

CALLISTEMON VIMINALIS
Bottle Brush

CHRYSOPHYLLUM OLIVIFORME
Satin Leaf

TECOMARIA CAPENSIS
Cape Honeysuckle

TABEBUIA ARGENTIA
Silver Trumpet

ACUTIFOLIA
Jacaranda

BAUHINIA BLAKEANA
Hong Kong Orchid

CARISSA GRANDIFLORA
Natal Plum

SIMAROUB GLAUCA
Paradise

ARAUCARIA EXCELSA
Norfolk Island Pine

IXORA COCCINEA

OCHROSIA ELLIPTICA
Wedge Apple

TABEBUIA PALLADA
Trumpet Tree

TORRUBIA LONGI FOLIA
Blolly

FARNESIANA
Sweet Acacia

CHA MAEDOREA
Dwarf Caned Palm

CHRYSA LIDOCARPUS LUTESCENS
Areca Caned Palm

CASSIA BAHAMENSIS
COCO PLUM (Native)

TECOMA STANS
Yellow Elder

SCAEVOLA PLUMERIER

LANTANA DEPRESSA
Native Yellow

PLUMBAGO CAPENSIS

PSYCHOTRIN UNDATA
Wild Coffee

THRINAX MICROCARPA
Keys Thatch Palm

COCOLOBA DIVESIFOLIA
Pigeon Plum

plus \$550.00 for 8' to 12' trees and shrubs purchased in 1985
to beautify the 200' highway frontage and to add food for the
bird habitation.

see next page

LIGNUM VITAE

SOPHORA TOMENTOSA
Necklace Pod

CALLICARPA AMERICANA
Beauty Berry

HAMELIA PATENS
Fire Bush

SURIANA MARITIMA
Bay Cedar

BRYSONIMA LUCIDA
Locust Berry

PINELAND QUILLBERRY

EUGENIA FOETIDA
Long Stopped Stopper

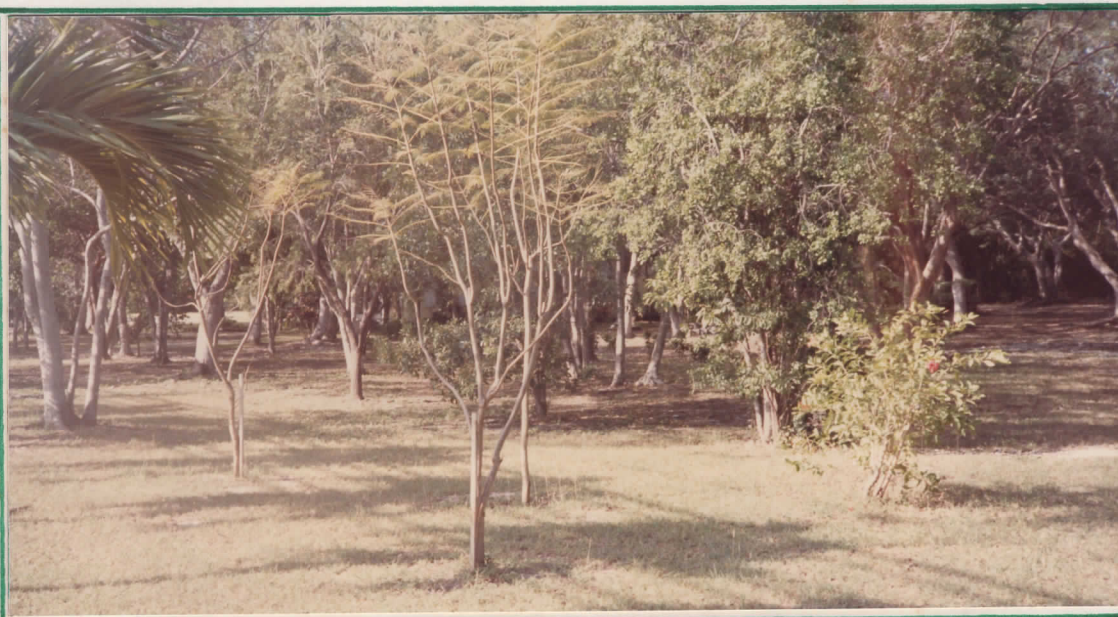
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Maiden Bush

ZAMIA FLORIDANA
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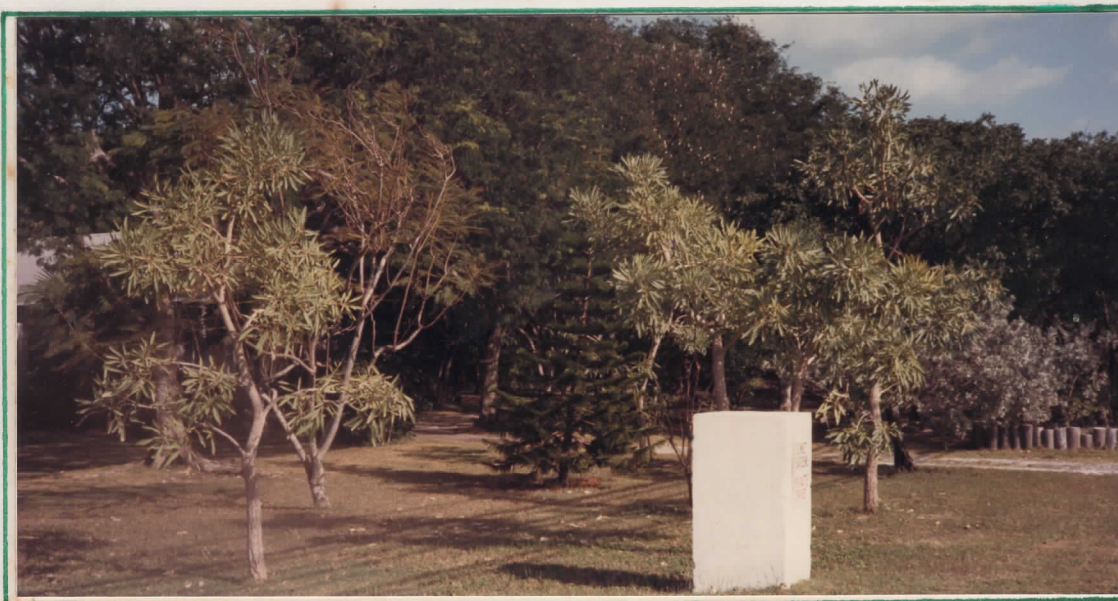
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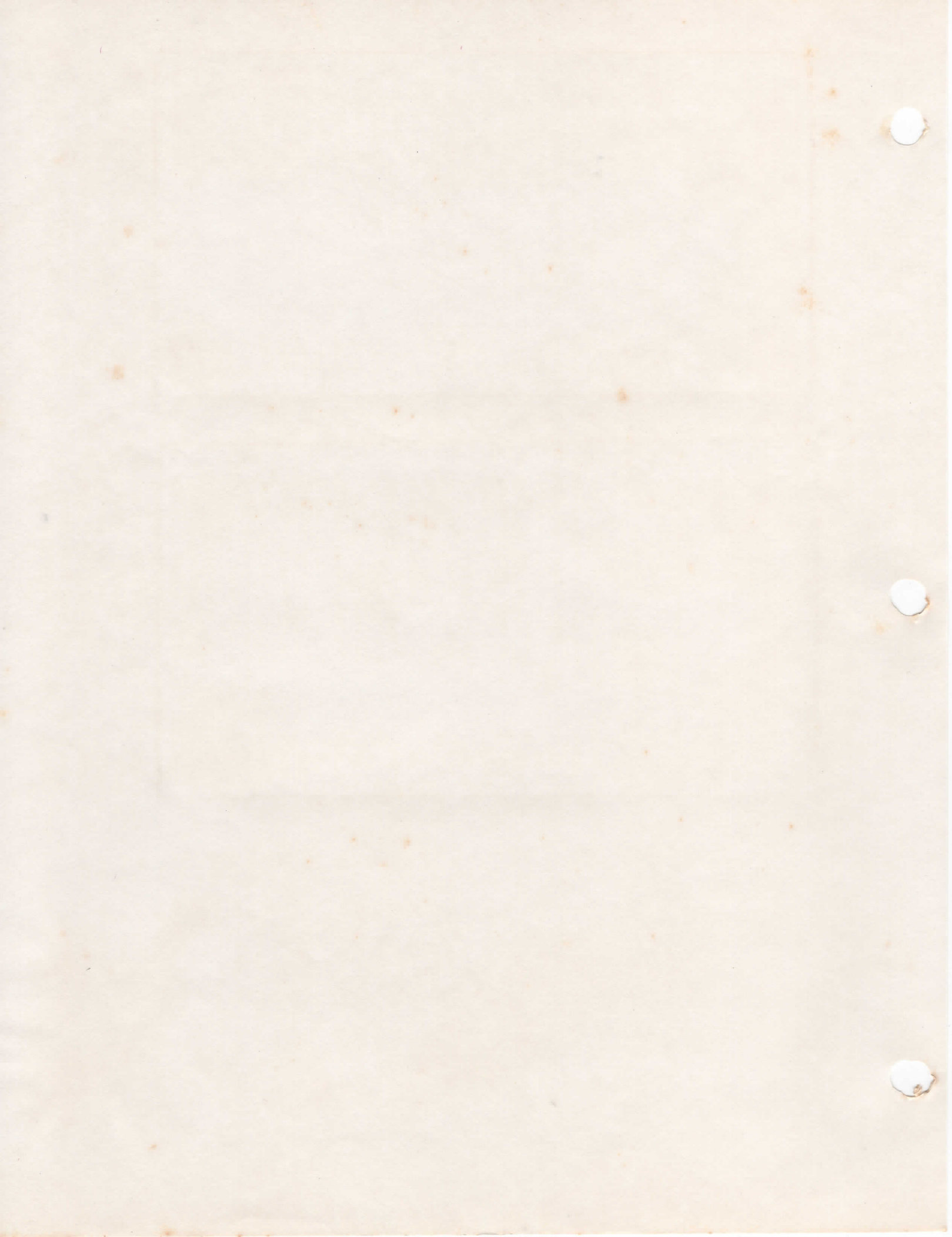
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Wild Coffee Plants



Francis Tracy Garden Center - 1985 tree plantings - Looking North



Francis Tracy Garden Center - 1985 tree plantings - Looking South



BIRDS OF THE FLORIDA KEYS

This checklist was prepared by the National Audubon Society Research Department, 115 Indian Mound Trail, Tavernier, FL 33070. Revised and published 1985.

OBSERVER: _____
DATE: _____ TIME: _____
LOCATION: _____
WEATHER: _____
TOTAL SPECIES: _____
TOTAL INDIVIDUALS: _____

Key for status and abundance:

- PR - Permanent Resident
- SR - Summer Resident
- WR - Winter Resident
- TV - Transient Visitor
- WV - Winter Visitor
- AV - Accidental Visitor
- * - Seen Offshore
- a - Abundant
- c - Common
- u - Uncommon
- o - Occasional
- r - Rare
- - Known to breed

Red-throated Loon	WV-r
Common Loon	WV-u
Pied-billed Grebe	WR-r
* Horned Grebe	WV-c
* Cory's Shearwater	TV-r
* Greater Shearwater	TV-o
* Sooty Shearwater	TV-o
* Audubon's Shearwater	SV-u
* Brown Booby	PR-u
* Northern Gannet	WV-u
American White Pelican	WR-u
* Brown Pelican	PR-c
* Double-crested Cormorant	PR-a

Veery	TV-o
Gray-cheeked Thrush	TV-o
Swainson's Thrush	TV-o
Hermit Thrush	TV-r
Wood Thrush	TV-o
American Robin	WR-u
Gray Catbird	WR-u
* Northern Mockingbird	PR-a
* Brown Thrasher	PR-o
Water Pipit	WV-r
Cedar Waxwing	WV-u
Loggerhead Shrike	WV-r
* European Starling	PR-c
* White-eyed Vireo	PR-c
Solitary Vireo	WR-u
Yellow-throated Vireo	WR-u
Philadelphia Vireo	TV-r
Red-eyed Vireo	TV-o
* Black-whiskered Vireo	SR-a
Blue-winged Warbler	TV-u
Golden-winged Warbler	TV-u
Tennessee Warbler	TV-u
Orange-crowned Warbler	WR-u
Northern Parula	WR-u
* Yellow Warbler	PR-u
Chestnut-sided Warbler	TV-u
Magnolia Warbler	TV-u
Cape May Warbler	TV-c
Black-throated Blue Warbler	WV-u
Yellow-rumped Warbler	WR-c
Black-throated Green Warbler	WR-u
Blackburnian Warbler	TV-o
Yellow-throated Warbler	WR-u
* Prairie Warbler	PR-c
Palm Warbler	WR-c
Bay-breasted Warbler	TV-u
Blackpoll Warbler	TV-c
Cerulean Warbler	TV-o
Black-and-white Warbler	WR-u
American Redstart	WR-u
Prothonotary Warbler	TV-u
Worm-eating Warbler	TV-u
Swainson's Warbler	TV-r
Ovenbird	WR-u
Northern Waterthrush	WR-u
Louisiana Waterthrush	TV-r

Kentucky Warbler	TV-u
Connecticut Warbler	TV-u
Common Yellowthroat	WR-c
Hooded Warbler	TV-o
Wilson's Warbler	WR-o
Canada Warbler	TV-r
Bananaquit	AV-o
Stripe-headed Tanager	AV-r
Summer Tanager	TV-o
Scarlet Tanager	TV-u
Northern Cardinal	PR-c
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	TV-u
Blue Grosbeak	TV-u
Indigo Bunting	WV-u
Painted Bunting	WR-u
Dickcissel	AV-r
Rufous-sided Towhee	WV-r
Clay-colored Sparrow	AV-r
Savannah Sparrow	WR-u
Grasshopper Sparrow	WR-u
Swamp Sparrow	WV-o
Bobolink	TV-u
* Red-winged Blackbird	PR-c
Yellow-headed Blackbird	WV-r
* Common Grackle	SR-c
Brown-headed Cowbird	AV-r
Orchard Oriole	TV-u
Northern Oriole	WR-u
American Goldfinch	WR-u
* House Sparrow	PR-u

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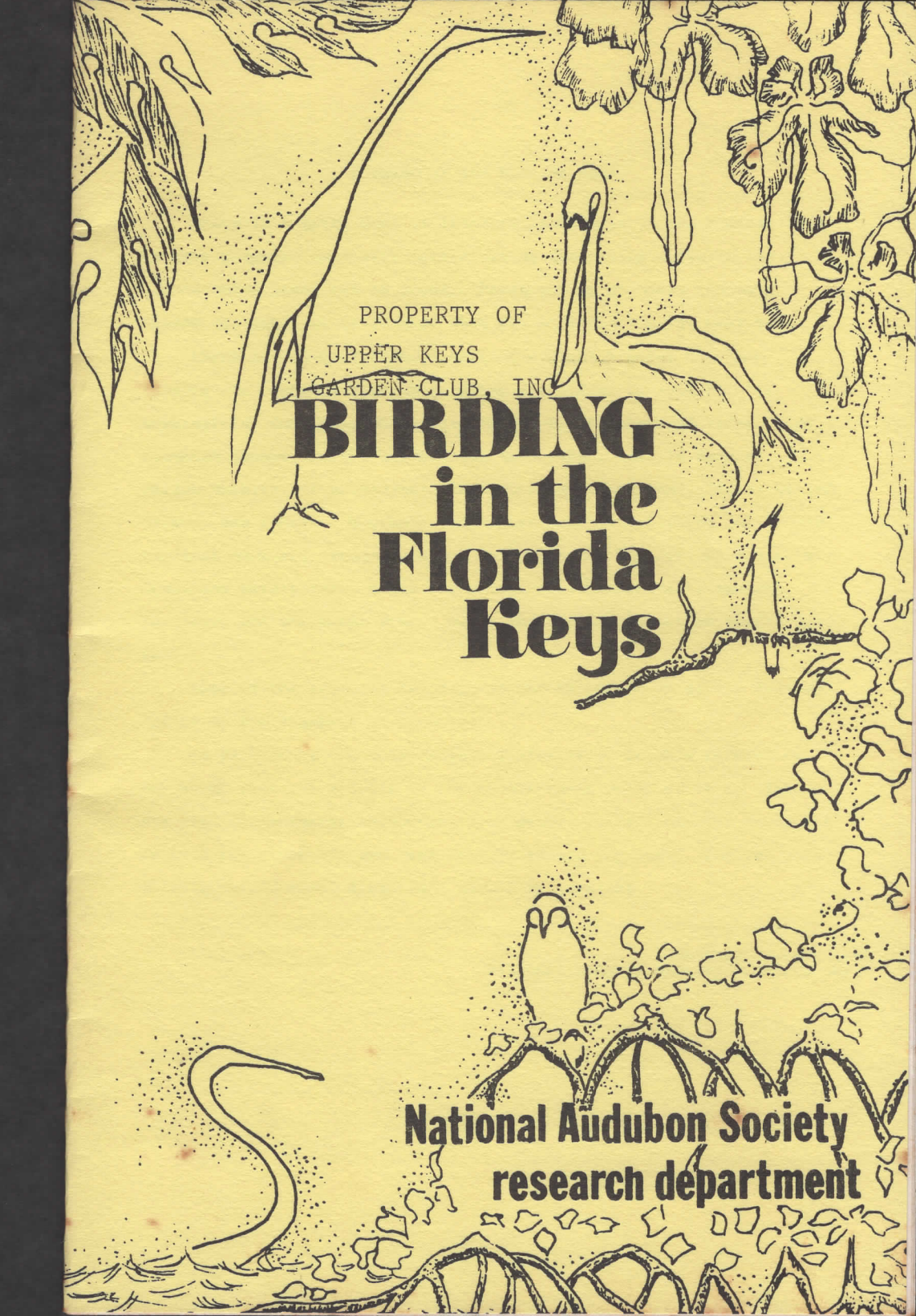
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 • Magnificent Frigatebird
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 • Reddish Egret
 • Cattle Egret
 • Green-backed Heron
 • Yellow-crowned Night Heron
 • White Ibis
 Glossy Ibis
 • Roseate Spoonbill
 Wood Stork
 Greater Flamingo
 Fulvous Whistling Duck
 Green-winged Teal
 Northern Pintail
 Blue-winged Teal
 Northern Shoveler
 American Wigeon
 Ring-necked Duck
 Lesser Scaup
 Red-breasted Merganser
 • Turkey Vulture
 • Osprey
 • American Swallow-tailed Kite
 • Bald Eagle
 Northern Harrier
 Sharp-shinned Hawk
 Cooper's Hawk
 • Red-shouldered Hawk
 Broad-winged Hawk
 Short-tailed Hawk
 Swainson's Hawk
 Red-tailed Hawk
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 • Clapper Rail
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 • Purple Gallinule

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• Common Moorhen
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 Limpkin
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 Snowy Plover
 • Wilson's Plover
 Semipalmated Plover
 Piping Plover
 Killdeer
 • Black-necked Stilt
 American Avocet
 Greater Yellowlegs
 Lesser Yellowlegs
 Solitary Sandpiper
 • Willet
 Spotted Sandpiper
 Upland Sandpiper
 Whimbrel
 Ruddy Turnstone
 Red Knot
 Sanderling
 Semipalmated Sandpiper
 Western Sandpiper
 Least Sandpiper
 White-rumped Sandpiper
 Pectoral Sandpiper
 Dunlin
 Stilt Sandpiper
 Dowitcher (spp.)
 Common Snipe
 • Pomarine Jaeger
 • Parasitic Jaeger
 Laughing Gull
 Bonaparte's Gull
 Ring-billed Gull
 Herring Gull
 Lesser Black-backed Gull
 Gull-billed Tern
 Caspian Tern
 Royal Tern
 Sandwich Tern
 • Roseate Tern
 Common Tern
 Forster's Tern
 • Least Tern
 Bridled Tern

• Sooty Tern
 Black Tern
 • Brown Noddy
 Black Skimmer
 • Rock Dove
 • White-crowned Pigeon
 Ringed Turtle Dove
 White-winged Dove
 • Mourning Dove
 Common Ground Dove
 Black-billed Cuckoo
 • Yellow-billed Cuckoo
 • Mangrove Cuckoo
 • Smooth-billed Ani
 Common Barn Owl
 • Eastern Screech Owl
 • Burrowing Owl
 • Common Nighthawk
 • Antillean Nighthawk
 Chuck-will's-widow
 Whip-poor-will
 Chimney Swift
 Ruby-throated Hummingbird
 Belted Kingfisher
 • Red-bellied Woodpecker
 Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
 • Northern Flicker
 • Pileated Woodpecker
 Eastern Wood Pewee
 Eastern Phoebe
 Great Crested Flycatcher
 Brown-crested Flycatcher
 Western Kingbird
 Eastern Kingbird
 • Gray Kingbird
 Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
 Purple Martin
 • Tree Swallow
 Bahama Swallow
 Northern Rough-winged Swallow
 Bank Swallow
 Cliff Swallow
 Barn Swallow
 • Blue Jay
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 Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

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MIGRATORY BIRD TREATY ACT

(Act of July 3, 1918, 40 Stat. 755, as amended by Act of June 20, 1936, 49 Stat. 1555; 1939 reorg. Plan No. II, § 4 (f), eff. July 1, 1939, 4 F.R. 2731, 53 Stat. 1433; September 8, 1960, 74 Stat. 866; December 5, 1969, 83 Stat. 282; 16 U.S.C. 703-711)

An Act to give effect to the Conventions between the United States and Great Britain for the protection of migratory birds concluded at Washington August sixteenth, nineteen hundred and sixteen, and between the United States and the United Mexican States for the protection of migratory birds and game mammals concluded at the city of Mexico February seventh, nineteen hundred and thirty-six, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act shall be known by the short title of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.

Sec. 2. That unless and except as permitted by regulations made as hereinafter provided, it shall be unlawful at any time, by any means or in any manner, to pursue, hunt, take, capture, kill, attempt to take, capture, or kill, possess, offer for sale, sell, offer to barter, barter, offer to purchase, purchase, deliver for shipment, ship, export, import, cause to be shipped, exported, or imported, deliver for transportation, transport or cause to be transported, carry or cause to be carried, or receive for shipment, transportation, carriage, or export, any migratory bird, or any part, nest, or egg of any such birds, included in the terms of the Conventions between the United States and Great Britain for the protection of migratory birds concluded August 16, 1916, and the United States and the United Mexican States for the protection of migratory birds and game mammals concluded February 7, 1936.

Sec. 3. That, subject to the provisions and in order to carry out the purposes of the Conventions, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed, from time to time, having due regard to the zones of temperature and to the distribution, abundance, economic value, breeding habits, and times and lines of migratory flight of such birds, to determine when, to what

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BUREAU OF SPORT FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

BIRDS PROTECTED BY FEDERAL LAW

Compiled May 1967
Division of Management and Enforcement

Birds that move across State and National borders are recognized as national resources and are afforded Federal protection in all areas subject to U.S. jurisdiction, pursuant to the provisions of Federal laws and of treaties with Canada and with Mexico. The species of birds protected are listed here by the most widely used common name or names followed by the scientific name in italics and, when applicable, the A.O.U. number as designated in the fifth edition of the American Ornithologists' Union Check-List of North American Birds. The birds are listed alphabetically by common name in two categories, "Game Birds" and "Nongame Birds," except that all ducks are grouped under the heading "Ducks" in "Game Birds" and are alphabetical within that group.

AUTHORITY: Migratory Bird Treaty Act of July 3, 1918 (40 Stat. 755; 16 U.S.C. 703-711), as amended, and the Eagle Act of June 8, 1940 (54 Stat. 250; 16 U.S.C. 668), as amended.

GAME BIRDS

Avocet, American *Recurvirostra americana* (225)
Brant, *Branta bernicla* (173)
Black *Branta nigricans* (174)
Coot, American *Fulica americana* (221)
Caribbean (Gallinazo, Gallareta) *Fulica caribaea*
Crane, Sandhill (Greater, Lesser or Little Brown, and Florida) *Grus canadensis* (205)
Whooping *Grus americana* (204)
Curlew, Bristle-thighed *Numenius tahitiensis* (268)
Eskimo *Numenius borealis* (266)
Long-billed *Numenius americanus* (264)
Dove, Bridled Quail *Geotrygon mystacea*
Ground *Columbigallina passerina* (320)
Inca *Scardafella inca* (321)
Mourning *Zenaidura macroura* (316)
Ruddy Quail *Geotrygon montana* (322.1)
White-fronted *Leptotila verreauxi* (318)
White-winged *Zenaida asiatica* (319)
Zenaida *Zenaida aurita* (317)
Dowitcher, Long-billed *Limnodromus scolopaceus* (232)
Short-billed *Limnodromus griseus* (231)

Ducks:

Bahama Duck *Anas bahamensis* (143.1)
Black Duck *Anas rubripes* (133a)
Buffhead *Bucephala albeola* (153)
Canvasback *Aythya valisineria* (147)
Eider, Common (Northern, American, and Pacific) *Somateria mollissima* (159)
King *Somateria spectabilis* (162)
Spectacled *Lamprolaima fischeri* (158)
Steller's *Polysticta stelleri* (157)
Gadwall *Anas strepera* (135)
Goldeneye, Barrow's *Bucephala islandica* (152)
Common *Bucephala clangula* (151)
Harlequin Duck *Histrionicus histrionicus* (155)
Hawaiian Duck (Koloa) *Anas wyvilliana*
Laysan Duck (Laysan teal) *Anas laysanensis*
Mallard *Anas platyrhynchos* (132)
Masked Duck *Oxyura dominica* (168)
Merganser, Common (American) *Mergus merganser* (129)
Hooded *Lophodytes cucullatus* (131)
Red-breasted *Mergus serrator* (130)
Mexican Duck (New Mexican) *Anas diazi* (133.1)
Mottled Duck (Florida and Louisiana) *Anas fulvigula* (134)
Oldsquaw *Clangula hyemalis* (154)
Pintail *Anas acuta* (143)
Redhead *Aythya americana* (146)
Ring-necked Duck *Aythya collaris* (150)
Ruddy Duck *Oxyura jamaicensis* (167)
Scaup, Greater *Aythya marila* (148)
Lesser *Aythya affinis* (149)
Scoter, Common *Oidemia nigra* (163)
Surf *Melanitta perspicillata* (166)
White-winged *Melanitta deglandi* (165)
Shoveler *Spatula clypeata* (142)
Teal, Blue-winged *Anas discors* (140)
Cinnamon *Anas cyanoptera* (141)
Common (European) *Anas crecca* (138)
Green-winged *Anas carolinensis* (139)
Tree Duck, Black-bellied *Dendrocygna autumnalis* (177)
Fulvous *Dendrocygna bicolor* (178)
West Indian (Yaguaza) *Dendrocygna arborea*
Widgeon, American *Mareca americana* (137)
European *Mareca penelope* (136)
Wood Duck *Aix sponsa* (144)

DUCKS

Dunlin (Red-backed Sandpiper) *Erolia alpina* (243)

Gallinule, Common *Gallinula chloropus* (219)
Purple *Porphyryla martinica* (218)
Godwit, Bar-tailed *Limosa lapponica* (250)
Hudsonian *Limosa haemastica* (251)
Marbled *Limosa fedoa* (249)
Goose, Barnacle *Branta leucopsis* (175)
Blue *Chen caerulescens* (169.1)
Canada (Lesser and Cackling) *Branta canadensis* (172)
Emperor *Phalacrocorax auritus* (176)
Hawaiian (Nene) *Branta sandvicensis*
Ross' *Chen rossii* (170)
Snow *Chen hyperborea* (169)
White-fronted (Tule) *Anser albifrons* (171)
Killdeer *Charadrius vociferus* (273)
Knot *Calidris canutus* (234)
Oystercatcher, American *Haematopus palliatus* (286)
Black *Haematopus bachmani* (287)
Phalarope, Northern *Lobipes lobatus* (223)
Red *Phalaropus fulicarius* (222)
Wilson's *Steganopus tricolor* (224)
Pigeon, Band-tailed *Columba fasciata* (312)
Puerto Rican (Paloma Sabanera, Blue Pigeon) *Columba inornata*
Red-billed *Columba flavirostris* (313)
Scaly-naped (Paloma Turca) *Columba squamosa* (314.1)
White-crowned *Columba leucocephala* (314)
Plover, American Golden (Atlantic and Pacific) *Pluvialis dominica* (272)
Black-bellied *Squatarola squatarola* (270)
Mongolian *Charadrius mongolus* (279)
Mountain *Eupoda montana* (281)
Piping *Charadrius melodus* (277)
Semipalmated *Charadrius semipalmatus* (274)
Snowy *Charadrius alexandrinus* (278)
Upland *Bartramia longicauda* (261)
Wilson's *Charadrius wilsonia* (280)
Rail, Black *Laterallus jamaicensis* (216)
Clapper *Rallus longirostris* (210)
King *Rallus elegans* (208)
Sora *Porzana carolina* (214)
Virginia *Rallus limicola* (212)
Yellow *Coturnicops noveboracensis* (215)
Yellow-bellied (Gallareta Chiquita) *Porzana flaviventer*
Sanderling *Crocodylus alba* (248)
Sandpiper, Baird's *Erolia bairdii* (241)
Buff-breasted *Tryngites subruficollis* (262)
Curlew *Erolia ferruginea* (244)
Least *Erolia minutilla* (242)
Pectoral *Erolia melanotos* (239)
Purple *Erolia maritima* (235)
Rock (Aleutian) *Erolia pilocnemis* (235a-d)
Semipalmated *Ereunetes pusillus* (246)
Sharp-tailed *Erolia acuminata* (238)
Solitary *Tringa solitaria* (256)
Spotted *Actitis macularia* (263)
Stilt *Microphala himantopus* (233)
Western *Ereunetes mauri* (247)
White-rumped *Erolia fuscicollis* (240)
Snipe, Common (Wilson's) *Capella gallinago* (230)
Stilt, Black-necked *Himantopus mexicanus* (226)
Surfbird *Aphriza virgata* (282)
Swan, Trumpeter *Olor buccinator* (181)
Whistling *Olor columbianus* (180)
Tattler, Wandering *Heteroscelus incanum* (259)
Turnstone, Black *Arenaria melanocephala* (284)
Turnstone, Ruddy *Arenaria interpres* (283)
Whimbrel (Hudsonian curlew) *Numenius phaeopus* (265)
Willet *Catoptrophorus semipalmatus* (258)
Woodcock, American *Philohela minor* (228)
Yellowlegs, Greater *Totanus melanoleucus* (254)
Lesser *Totanus flavipes* (255)

FLORIDA ENDANGERED AND THREATENED SPECIES ACT OF 1977

Section 372.072, Florida Statutes

Subsection 1: Short Title — This act may be cited as the "Florida Endangered and Threatened Species Act of 1977."

Subsection 2: Declaration of Policy — The Legislature recognizes that the State of Florida harbors a wide diversity of fish and wildlife and that it is the policy of this state to conserve and wisely manage these resources, with particular attention to those species defined by the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, the Department of Natural Resources, or the U.S. Department of Interior, or successor agencies, as being endangered or threatened. As Florida has more endangered and threatened species than any other continental state, it is the intent of the Legislature to provide for research and management to conserve and protect these species as a natural resource.

Subsection 3: Definitions as used in this section —

- (a) "Fish and wildlife" means any member of the animal kingdom, including, but not limited to, any mammal, fish, bird, amphibian, reptile, invertebrate, or other animal, whether wild or tamed, domestic or wild, and whether or not it is a pest.
- (b) "Endangered species" means any species of fish and wildlife occurring in Florida which may not be in the state for a sufficient number of years to ensure its survival or which is in jeopardy of extinction due to natural, sporting, scientific or educational purposes, disease, predation, inadequacy of regulatory measures, or other natural or man-made factors affecting its continued existence.
- (c) "Threatened species" means any species of fish and wildlife occurring in Florida which may not be in the state for a sufficient number of years to ensure its survival or which is in jeopardy of extinction due to natural, sporting, scientific or educational purposes, disease, predation, inadequacy of regulatory measures, or other natural or man-made factors affecting its continued existence.

Laws And Regulations Affecting Endangered and Potentially Endangered Species In Florida

Subsection 4: Interagency Coordination —

- (a) The Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission shall be responsible for research and management of freshwater and upland species.
- (b) The Department of Natural Resources shall be responsible for research and management of marine species.
- (c) Recognizing that entities have a vested interest in the conservation of Florida's natural resources, the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Regulation, and the Department of Education are encouraged to work together to develop a public education program with emphasis on, but not limited to, both public and private schools.

Subsection 5: Annual Report — The Director of the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, in consultation with the Executive Director of the Department of Natural Resources, shall, at least 30 days prior to each session of the Legislature, transmit to the Governor and Cabinet, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the chairmen of the appropriate Senate and House committees, a written and updated plan for management and conservation of endangered and threatened species, including criteria for research and management priorities; a description of the state's current status regarding endangered and threatened species; additional legislation which may be required; and recommended levels of funding for the following year, along with a progress report and budget request.

15 July 1985

WILDLIFE CODE OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Title 39, Florida Administrative Code

Specific Authority: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution

39-1.04 (in part) Definition — For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the rules of the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission relating to wild animal life and freshwater aquatic life, the following shall be construed respectively to mean:

- (18) **Commission** — The Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, established pursuant to Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution.
- (19) **Common carrier** — A person or entity which is certified as a common carrier by the appropriate state or federal agency.
- (23) **Endangered species** — As designated by the Commission, a species, subspecies, or isolated population which is so few or depleted in number or so restricted in range or habitat due to any man-made or natural factors that it is in jeopardy of extinction within the immediate future.
- (51) **Person** — Includes individuals, associations, partnerships, and corporations, unless the context should otherwise require.
- (53) **Possession** — The word "possession" shall include any one of the following:
 - (a) Manual possession
 - (b) Physical possession
 - (c) Control or custody

Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission

Compiled by Don A. Wood, Endangered Species Coordinator,

Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission

PULL OUT PACKET



An egret examines its surroundings — a marsh and lake.



Sweet acacia brings in hummingbirds and warblers.

PLANTS CAN BRING IN THE BIRDS

You can have your choice of birds, if you pick the right flora for your yard.

Plant name	Birds attracted to plant	Plant name	Birds attracted to plant
TREES			
Pigeon Plum* (<i>Coccoloba diversifolia</i>)	Mockingbird, Catbird, Robin, Woodpecker	Scarlet bush, firebush* (<i>Hamelia patens</i>)	Hummingbird, fruit-eating birds
Sea Grape* (<i>Coccoloba uvifera</i>)	Mockingbird, Catbird, Cardinal, Bluejay, Woodpecker	Waxmyrtle, Bayberry* (<i>Myrica cerifera</i>)	Cardinal, Catbird, Warbler, Vireo
Dahoon Holly* (<i>Ilex cassine</i>)	Cardinal, Mockingbird, Cedar Waxwing	Necklace Pod* (<i>Sophora tomentosa</i>)	Hummingbird, Warbler
SHRUBS			
Marlberry (<i>Ardisia paniculata</i>)	Mockingbird, Catbird, Cardinal	Limeberry (<i>Triphasia trifolia</i>)	Fruit-eating birds
Coco Plum* (<i>Chrysobalanus icaco</i>)	Fruit-eating birds	VINES	
Surinam Cherry (<i>Eugenia uniflora</i>)	Mockingbird, Cedar Waxwing, Bulbul, Spot-breasted Oriole	Virginia creeper* (<i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i>)	Catbird, Flicker, Great-crested Flycatcher, Mockingbird, Robin, Brown Thrasher, Warbler

SOURCE: Broward County Audubon Society

*Indicates native plants

REPRODUCTION

Varying the size and density of plants allows animals to choose their own spots for courting and nesting. Mature trees serve squirrels and nesting birds. Dense plantings of shrubbery around the edge of the yard can provide safe areas for many animals. While plants mature, birdhouses and nesting shelves can be built on poles, attached to trees or houses.



A crane finds cover for its young.

FOOD

Dozens of native shrubs, trees and other plants produce food: acorns, nuts, berries, buds, fruit, nectar and seeds.

Feeders can supply food while plants are maturing, and they also can supplement creatures' diets. Birds like cracked corn, squirrels prefer peanuts. Hummingbird feeders filled with sugar water attract tiny, hovering birds.



A monarch butterfly, perched atop a jatropha plant.



The coot is attracted by aquatic plants.



Refuges attract even small critters, such as this beetle.



A gray squirrel examines a peanut.



Beauty berries attract mockingbirds and jays.



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HIGHWAY COMM. GETS GARDEN CLUB BOOST

THE REPORTER SEPTEMBER 27, 1984

Phase I of the "Highway Beautification Project" was the topic of discussion at the Tuesday meeting of the Upper Keys Garden Club. Guest speakers were Janet Bunch, from the County Extension Office in Key West, and Dan Carter, from the Dale Baldwin & Assoc. firm in Tavernier. These members of the Beautification Committee were appointed by County Commissioner Ken Sorensen, who is chairman of the Monroe County project.

Mr. Carter stated that, "Mr. Sorensen's committee was allotted \$10,000 for the purchase of several hundred trees. A meeting was held recently by that committee, with representatives of D.O.T. and the FCAA, and others, to clear all of the permits required for this large undertaking." Carter also stated, "there will be thirteen miles of these large size tree groupings, both native and exotic, to add color and beauty to the median strip as you enter the Keys, from the north."

Ms. Bunch is in charge of selecting and planting of these trees, from MM 93 north to MM 106, where the four-lane with median begins. She told the group that lists of the trees specified, have gone out to the local nurseries for their immediate bids." She said that they will be using county labor, and it is their plan for the work of digging the large holes, planting and staking the trees, to take one to two weeks."

The business meeting of the club, which meets at the Frances Tracy Garden Center, MM 94, was conducted by the new president Bobbie Green. The luncheon committee was Betty Pankau and Camille Kloski.

Betty Wilson, who is Florida Federation District XII Chairman of Roadside Development, spoke to the women about supporting the project. She reminded the club that the Florida goal is *Pathways of Gold* by 1987, with the use of colorful plantings of trees and wildflowers. D.O.T. has been cooperating with the Florida Federation in their plantings, even sewing the wildflower seed, in the northern part of the state. D.O.T. has even been arranging their mowing times around the blooming, and seeding of the beautiful wildflowers.

Mrs. Wilson also reported that a new Highway Administration report, ranking states on aesthetic quality, based on the number of sign boards, outside the right-a-way per 10 miles of highway, ranked Florida as one of the 10 ugliest states in the nation, because of its billboards, instead of using logo systems.

The club voted to donate \$500 from the general membership, and an additional \$200 in donations were made by individuals, as memorials to loved ones. A "Beautification Project Fund" has been set up, by the Upper Keys Chamber, at the Barnett Bank of Tavernier, with Bob Carlin, Exec. V.P. in charge. Donations are already coming in.



Francis Tracey Garden Center
Designated Bird Sanctuary

MONEY FOR ROADSIDE BEAUTY

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Bobbie Green, president of the Upper Keys Garden Club presents Barnett Bank Vice-President Bob Carlin with a check for \$700, to be added to the Highway Beautification Fund. Carlin, representing the Upper Keys Chamber of Commerce accepted the check as part of the chamber's project in cooperation with the Department of Transportation and Monroe County government to upgrade the appearance of US-1 in the Upper Keys. Also participating in the presentation was Betty Wilson, Florida Federation District Chairperson for Roadside Development.



Our Story continues

In late 1982, Mayor Ken Sorenson, the county commissioner representing the Upper Keys urged the commission to set aside \$10,000.00 for Phase I of Highway Beautification, and said that he would chair a committee to handle the project. So that as people enter the Keys from Mile Marker 106 on the north, we would begin a journey on a scenic highway, of not only the ocean on the east, and the Bay of Florida and Gulf of Mexico on the west, but we would have native, and exotic trees throughout the entire strip of the Overseas Highway, a colorful sight to behold.

Mayor Sorenson called a meeting, with representatives of D.O.T., FL. Keys Aqueduct Authority, Monroe County Roads Dept, and others, to clear all of the permits required for this large undertaking of thirteen (13) miles of scenic highway.

A member of our club, District FFQC XII, Roadside Development Chairman, was called about the project, and she suggested that we have the County Extension Agent, Janet Bunch, speak to the club, at the next meeting, and explain the plans. Also it would be a good idea, to include Dale Baldwin's firm, and have them bring the new landscaping plans, for these first 13 miles of Phase I. Perhaps our Club could donate money to help on trees, and have them, beautify the median strip in front of our clubhouse, which we had been trying for years, to get D.O.T. permission to accomplish.

Immediately following the presentation, that day, our club, donated \$500.00 from its treasury (unanimously), plus there was \$205.00 donated by individual members of the club as memorial trees for loved ones.

This started the ball rolling, and many civic organizations joined in the cause. Bids went out to nurserymen on the Keys for the list of trees, over \$6,700. worth of healthy 12' stock. Other monies were spent for soil, and staking. Holes were augered, in the bed-rock, and everything was gountil D.O.T. engineers and planners found that they had been using an outdated set of plans, and when the 4-lane highway had been widened, it did not leave the 60' of median width required, for planting trees, with trunks that would grow over 4" in diameter, (safety factor).

So here we were with thousands of dollars of healthy trees in pots. County workmen and machinery already in action, and many pages of landscaping designs to be scrapped.

see letters from FFQC
and Governor Graham, and articles.

BEAUTIFYING U.S. 1

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Upper Keys Highway Beautification Project is officially off and growing. Former Mayor Ken Sorensen presides over groundbreaking ceremony in the median of U.S. 1 near mile marker 94. Appointed by the county commission as a committee of one to follow through with his administration of the Highway Beautification Project, Sorensen meets here with other key

beautifiers to plant the first tree. Seen here: Dan Carter, Landscape Architect; Janet Bunch, County Horticulturist (County Extension Service); Ken Sorensen; Gil Hammond, Public Works Supervisor and Dale Baldwin of Dale Baldwin and Associates, landscape architects who have volunteered their services to design the project.

Many political forces went into action at that point (see letters from state officers and Governor Graham....not counting all of our telephone calls), and Chairman Sorenson was on an extended vacation. But, D.O.T. held fast to their rules. Finally and agreement was reached with D.O.T.....Governor Graham...and Mayor Sorenson: That D.O.T. would replace the amount spent on the trees thus far, and as soon as a landscaping plan for low shrubbery could be approved, work could begin again. (See article) Also they allowed us to go ahead and use the trees that we had already purchased, for Bird Sanctuary groupings at many places throughout all of the Keys.

Everyone complied and finally in August 1985, the planting designs approved, the planting began, and Phase I was completed.

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377-5512

(253-7508) *John P. W. Sorenson*
County Commissioner

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DOT Monroe Co Permits Eng. Dept
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Mr. Tony Grau, District Permits Engineer
Regional Service Center
Florida Department of Transportation
401 NW Second Avenue
Miami, Florida 33128

Dear Mr. Grau:

I have recently learned that the extensive beautification of US 1 in the Upper Keys from MM 106 to MM93 has run into a snag after having been originally granted the necessary permits from the DOT and the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority.

Could you please fill me in on the facts of the situation? Mrs. W. W. Wilson, one of the Upper Keys Garden Club members involved in the project, is very concerned that the \$10,000 worth of trees purchased for the project are going to die if the problem is not resolved soon.

Having the facts of the proceedings so far will enable me to determine what steps might be considered in resolving whatever problem there is.

Sincerely,

Elise Haymans

Elise Haymans, Chairman
Roadside Development
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cc: Mrs. W. W. Wilson
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Mrs. W. W. Wilson
P. O. Box 794
Tavernier, Florida 33070

Dear Betty:

Enclosed is a letter from Governor Graham to Hazel Simmons. This was in response to her question to him about the US 1 beautification, which came about after my conversation with you on that Sunday morning.

I, as you know, had written to Mr. Tony Grau in the District 6 office, as well as asking Andy Lewis in the Tallahassee office, to find out what the problem was with this project. Hazel went right to the top and this is what the Governor learned about the project.

The comments about future beautification in the Marathon area should be of great interest to you and others in that vicinity.

At any rate, I think that you should be having some action down there on your project, since the Governor became directly involved.

I do need a status report from you for my final report. I hope you will be able to say that work ~~has~~ resumed. Satisfaction will be all the deeper once this effort has been completed, won't it?

Best wishes for an early success. You have been a pleasure to work with and I look forward to sharing in many more endeavors in the future.

Most sincerely,

Elise Haymans, Chairman
Roadside Development
4520 Burnt Store Road
Punta Gorda, Florida

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STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF GOVERNOR BOB GRAHAM

March 13, 1985

Mrs. Hugh C. Simmons
President
Florida Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.
Post Office Box 13686
Gainesville, Florida 32604

Dear Mrs. Simmons:

Thank you for your letter of February 10. The Apalachee Parkway beautification project last month was a tremendous success, and this was due in large part to the contributions of dedicated citizens like you. It was a privilege for me to be a part of this great community effort, and I hope that other cities can catch the community spirit we experienced while working along the Parkway.

I share your concern about the difficulties that have caused delays in the beautification of U.S. 1 near Tavernier but assure you that the problem with the landscaping in this area does not in any way reflect a breakdown in the relationship of your organization or Monroe County with the Department of Transportation.

The plans for this landscaping were prepared rather quickly using data that did not show changes made during the last roadway construction project in this area. These plans were submitted by Monroe County to the Department with a request for the required permit. Because of the tight timeable, DOT engineers did not make a field review to verify the design information and simply issued the permit with appropriate stipulations requiring that all work comply with prevailing safety and design standards. As the installation of the plants began, it became apparent to the field inspectors that the landscaping, as it was designed, did not meet the appropriate safety criteria, and the Department was then forced to stop the work on this project.

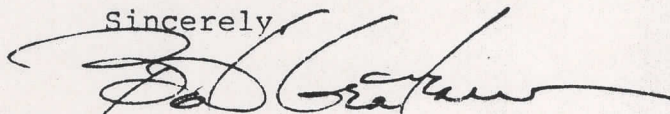
Mrs. Hugh C. Simmons
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Recognizing the merits of the project and with a commitment to support these efforts, the Department has agreed to replace the unsatisfactory plant materials with vegetation suitable for placement in the median. Before this effort can proceed, however, an alternative plan is needed from Monroe County.

In addition to the work in the Tavernier area, I have asked the Department of Transportation to develop a plan for beautification of U.S. 1 throughout all of Monroe County. An early area of emphasis will be the Marathon area where the Department is now involved in a major construction program to four lane the highway.

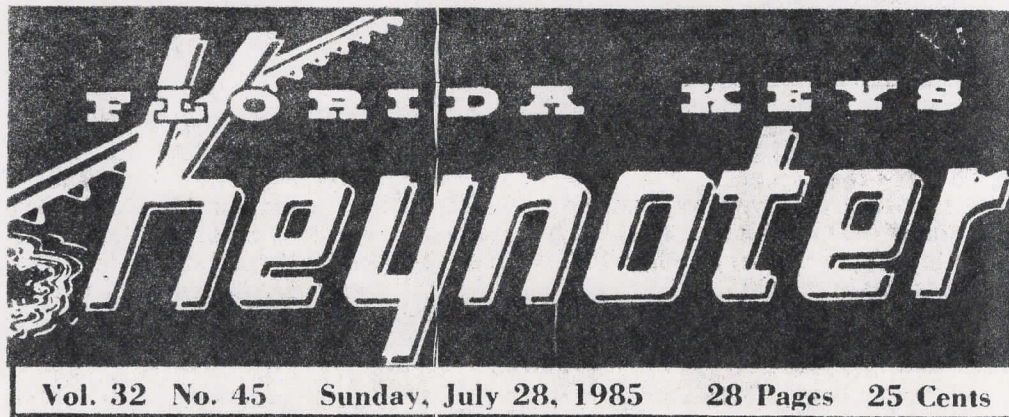
During the coming months I expect the Department of Transportation to work closely with your organization and with Monroe County in these efforts. If we can be of any assistance to you, we would be pleased to do so.

Sincerely,



Governor

BG/rgf



UK gets plants along roadway

By **PHIL FOLEY**
Upper Keys News Director

UPPER KEYS — It's been more than a year since the Monroe County Commission appropriated \$10,000 to plant trees between the north and southbound lanes of U.S. One on Key Largo. The work remains largely undone.

The project was one of the last acts of former County Commission Chairman Ken Sorensen before he left office. The idea was to plant trees in open areas of the road's median between mile markers 106 and 93.

Although \$10,000 worth of trees were purchased, to date trees have been planted along only three sections of the highway.

According to Janet Bunch, Monroe County extension service agent, 50-75 trees were planted behind the guardrails at the Marvin D. Adams Waterway and at mile marker 93 and at the entrance to John Pennkamp Coral Reef State Park.

The remaining trees, she said, were planted at Harry Harris Park in Tavernier; the Plantation Key Government Center; the Islamorada Branch Library; Switlik Beach Park and the Sombrero roadside planting in Marathon; Little Duck Key Veterans Park; U.S. One on Stock Island; and Higgs-Rest Beach and Key West International Airport in Key West.

According to Miss Bunch, it took the county six months to get the state Department of Transportation (DOT) to approve plans for the median plantings, only to have them revoke the permit after the trees were purchased.

The problem, said Miss Bunch, was that the county had purchased mainly royal poinciana for a plan based on DOT aerial photos of the medians.

Stephanie Conway, a DOT landscape architect, said the aerials did not show recent roadway construction. She added that although county planners were told they would have to comply with present

highway safety standards, "it was partly our fault and it got by us."

Miss Conway said present highway safety standards prohibit the planting of any tree in the median that will grow more than four inches in diameter.

County Administrator Kermit Lewin announced at the commission's June 7 meeting that DOT had sent the county a check for \$6,734 to reimburse it for trees that couldn't be used in the Upper Keys project.

Miss Bunch said the money will be used to purchase 1,400 plants that will be placed in six spots in the Upper Keys. She said the plants include seagrape, Keys spider lily, buttonwood, bougainvillea, coco plum and scaevola - a shrub noted mainly for its dramatic leaf pattern.

According to Miss Bunch, planting is scheduled to begin in mid-to-late-August. She said the shrubs will be planted in masses using "mainly natives with a few exotics for color."

Dan Carter, a landscape architect with Dale Baldwin Associates, said the project should take three weeks to complete once planting begins.

He said the 1,400 plants will be enough to cover six of the median islands between mile markers 106 and 93, but he noted this is only 10 percent of the area available for planting.

"At (mile marker) 106, we're trying to get an impact as you come around the curve," said Mr. Carter. This will be done by planting on two 100-foot median islands and on 150-foot one.

He added shrubs will be planted in a 100-foot island near Hibiscus Park; a 100-foot island near the Key Largo Shopper and a 150-foot island near mile marker 93.

Mr. Carter said the remaining areas will be planted if and when the county gets additional funding for it.

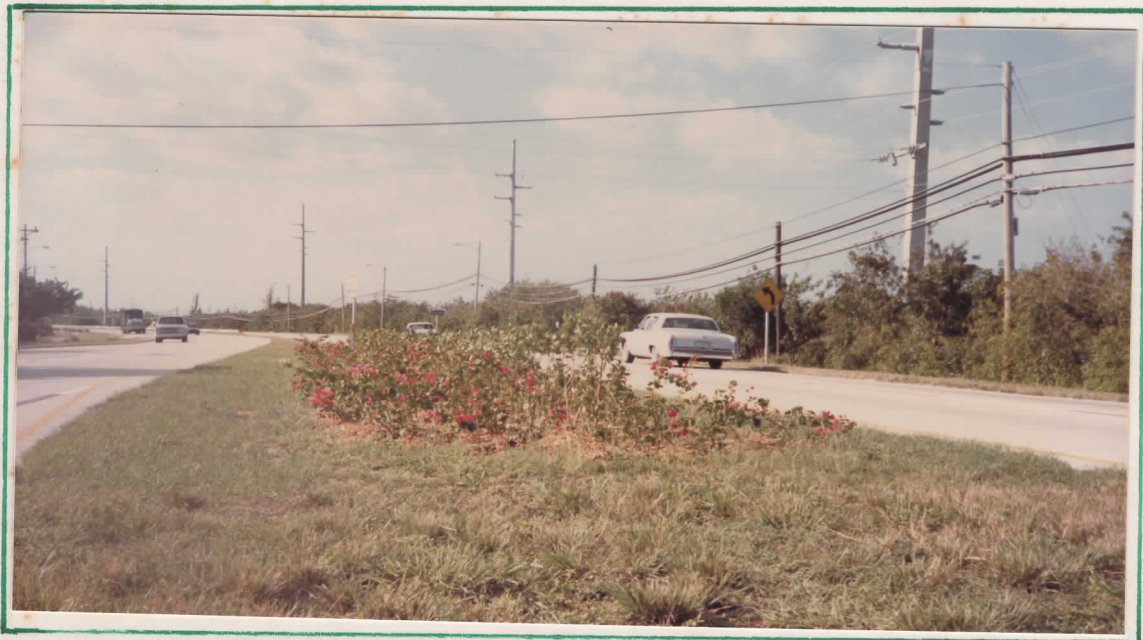
Last year the Upper Keys Chamber of Commerce raised \$2,000 in donations to add to the county's funds. But according to Dr. Jim Boilini, former head of the chamber's

highway beautification committee, half of that has been returned to the donors since DOT voided the county's first permit.

Mr. Carter said that although the project has been "very frustrating," the DOT is "working with us now."



Highway Beautification Project
in Median Strip of Overseas
Highway, between Mile Marker
107 and 93.



More plantings in median strip.

DATE _____

98/2/6

JOB NAME: HWY. BEAUTIFICATION

ESTIMATE

JOB LOCATION:

1001

DESIGNER/ESTIMATOR:

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REPLY TO:

P. O. Box 2545
Key West, Florida 33045

March 27, 1985

Betty Wilson
Upper Keys Garden Club
215 Tide Avenue
Tavernier, Florida 33070

Dear Mrs. Wilson:

Thank you for your recent letter of March 23, 1985 concerning the Upper Keys Highway Beautification Project. I was disappointed to learn that neither you nor Dale Baldwin could acquire a variance from D.O.T. in the proposed tree-planting median strip area. I do appreciate your efforts and the efforts of other Garden Club members, however.

Perhaps the letter from Governor Graham will aid us in our never-ending efforts to beautify U.S. 1.

If I may be of further assistance with this or other projects, please don't hesitate to contact me at 664-9128 or 294-4641 x 160.

Hang in there, Betty. We need your help.

Sincerely,

Janet S. Bunch
Extension Horticulturist

JSB/db

cc: J. Fisher, County Extension Director
R. Fisch, Highway Beautification Committee

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RESOLUTION NO. ²⁰⁸ -1977

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE MONROE COUNTY
HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the MONROE COUNTY HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE BE and the same is hereby established as follows:

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The Committee shall consist of ten (10) members, each member to receive an appointment by a County Commissioner of Monroe County, Florida. Each member to serve until resignation, death or termination of the committee by the Board of County Commissioners, or until the Board of County Commissioners shall appoint a successor. The County Extension Director or his representative shall serve as an ex officio member.

The Committee shall hold an organization meeting and shall elect among themselves a Chairperson and vice-chairperson and a secretary.

The meetings shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

PRIMARY FUNCTION

The primary function of the Committee shall be to study, develop and oversee plans for the beautification of U. S. Highway No. 1 and toward this end from time-to-time submit its plans and recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners for implementation and approval. It is the Board's intent that the plans and recommendations shall, when performed, become part of the County Master Plan in the County transportation element.

HBC COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS USE OF LOGO SYSTEMS

The Highway Beautification Committee recommends to the Monroe County Commission the Logo System be adapted throughout the county as an equitable and economic way to inform visitors and residents of businesses available in the county.

Logo signs are standard throughout the United States. Each sign is approximately 9 foot by 9 foot, is blue and white and contains space for many 2 foot x 2 foot business signs or logos.. The entire sign is placed and controlled by DOT, will look uniform and asthetically acceptable and save space. Off-highway particularly will benefit from this system, as one sign can advertise many businesses.

Further equitability is realized as greenbelt areas will remain so while areas of concentrated gas stations, restaurants, hotels, etc., will also contain the highest concentration of signage. Business will be assuming the responsibility of advertising in their own area.

The HBC further recommends that a Florida Keys Information Center be developed and staffed in Key Largo, where brochures, maps of all business enterprises can be displayed. Also, Wayside directory stands should be established where appropriate and applicable: In the wayside park near MM 80, on Big Pine near the Post Office, in Marathon in the parks by the airport.. The Wayside Directories and the Tourist Information Centers should be paid for from TDC funds. If Key West feels it needs a Tourist Information Center out near the new Hampton Inn, it should also have one, since no one can find their present Hospitality House.

PROVIDING FOR REGULATION OF SIGNS IN MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA

A RESOLUTION

Whereas the Florida Keys' flora, fauna and marine life is unique in North America, and whereas The Everglades National Park, John Pennekamp Coral Reef and Looe Key State Parks, Key Deer and Great White Heron refuge areas are designated protection areas for the above, and whereas Indian Key, Lignum Vitae Key, Long Key, Bahia Honda and Fort Zachary Taylor State Parks attract thousands of tourists annually, it is vital that every effort be made to preserve and protect the health and scenic beauty of Monroe County, which is the Florida Keys.

Whereas, this protected island chain has been designated an "Area of Critical Concern", because of the ecologically sensitive and delicate areas' balance of nature, the citizens of Monroe County must be caretakers of this 107 mile fragile chain of islands.

Whereas, the United Nations recently proclaimed the Florida Keys to be one of the "Most Unique Areas of the World, with its scenic beauty and multitude of unusual wildlife", along with the famed Galapagos. This should further encourage us to preserve our uniqueness of nature and eliminate unsightly structures and distractions, including billboards/signs.

Whereas, the Federal Government has spent millions of dollars rebuilding 48 bridges linking this island chain, and whereas the Federal Government is currently spending millions of dollars widening and four-laning U.S. 1 throughout Monroe County for all travelers of the Country to enjoy this unique climate and scenic view on a year-round basis.

Whereas, the United States Supreme Court, and a majority of State Supreme Courts, have found and upheld "Sign Board Controls and elimination of signs not only in areas of Scenic Beauty, but in municipalities with aesthetic interest in community appearance". Each of these is consistent with our projected ordinance.

Whereas, the Florida Supreme Court has ruled in favor of the cases involving a number of Florida municipalities, declaring, "that Highway Beautification and Billboard removal, for the sake of aesthetics alone, is an idea whose time has come."

Whereas, the citizens of Monroe County are not just singling out large and unsightly signs, but are working in other areas such as renovating store fronts along U.S. 1 at great personal expense, coordinating beautification projects with Chambers of Commerce, Garden Clubs, civic groups such as Marathon's Community Development Corporation, artists are assisting on renditions of buildings, and Florida D.O.T. reviews its extensive planting program with citizens of each area as such planning progresses.

In Conclusion

Whereas, our uniqueness of setting gives us "just cause" to protect our appearance and preserve the character of our natural habitat; We, the members of the Monroe County Highway Beautification Committee hereby resolve and recommend to the Monroe County Commissioner (with our rights under FL statute 125.0102 providing for regulation of signs and for repeal of certain Monroe County code of ordinance sections) be adopted as it is worded, since (in the Lee County case) it has already been upheld by the Florida Supreme Court.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Monroe County Highway Beautification Committee recommends to the Monroe County Commission that the proposed Monroe County Sign Ordinance be adopted in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

Members of the

Monroe County Highway Beautification Committee

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United States Senate

August 1, 1986

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A PULL OUT PACKET

Dear Mrs. Shullaw:

Thank you for writing me in support of S. 1494, legislation to prohibit additional billboards being placed along our Federal-Aid Highway System. The legislation will also require the removal of existing billboards that are in nonconformance with local zoning.

As you may know, on July 22, the Environment and Public Works Committee adopted an amendment which was similar to S. 2405. The amendment adopted by the Committee and included in a new 4-year highway reauthorization bill would prohibit the erection of any new billboards on our system of Interstate and Primary highways unless that billboard was on the premise of an on-going business and was advertisement for that particular business. Additionally, the amendment returned to the states the authority to regulate existing billboards and authorizes the use of Federal-Aid Highway funding as cash compensation to remove billboards which do not conform with local zoning ordinances. Furthermore, the legislation requires states to maintain an updated billboard inventory categorizing those which are nonconforming and illegal; it makes it illegal to cut trees or remove other vegetation on the right-of-way when the purpose of such action is to make existing billboards more visible; it prohibits the upgrading of existing, legal billboards; and it requires within 90 days from enactment that all illegal billboards and billboards for which removal compensation has already been paid be removed.

The House Committee takes an entirely different approach in its legislation by simply providing \$5,000,000 to be used by states to pay individuals to remove illegal and nonconforming billboards. Clearly the Senate legislation is much more comprehensive and should be more effective in meeting the objective of highway beautification.

In the weeks ahead, when the Senate bill comes to the floor for a vote, please be assured that I will keep your views in mind.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Lawton Chiles
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