



RESOLUTION

**SUPPORTING SENATE BILL 599  
INLET STABILIZATION PILOT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, The Town of Nags Head supports responsible and environmentally sound shoreline management solutions; AND

**WHEREAS**, The beaches of North Carolina are national treasures and one of North Carolina's most precious natural resources that provide recreational opportunities for all North Carolina residents and visitors worldwide; AND

**WHEREAS**, The beaches of North Carolina contribute millions of tourism dollars to the State of North Carolina; the coastal counties and towns of North Carolina depend heavily upon the economic vitality of the beach communities for tourism revenue and critical tax base; AND

**WHEREAS**, Beach erosion is one of the most serious challenges facing the North Carolina coastline, affecting millions of dollars of public and private infrastructure and thousands of homes, thereby threatening a vital part of the State's coastal economy; AND

**WHEREAS**, Unstabilized inlets contribute significantly to the erosion along the beaches of North Carolina; AND

**WHEREAS**, Inlet management strategies would protect wildlife habitat, wetlands, sound and creek environments while creating more stable, safer, and beautiful beaches; AND

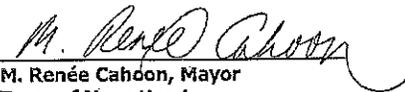
**WHEREAS**, The State of North Carolina has constructed two terminal groin structures along our coast which have proven successful adjacent to tidal inlets without adverse impacts nationwide; AND

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 599 will allow for construction of terminal groins as an inlet management tool at the same time ensuring proper consideration of environmental issues;

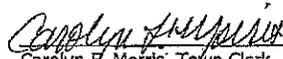
**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 599 discusses two (2) pilot projects, the Town of Nags Head strongly supports the construction of pilot projects for terminal groin structures as well as jetties along the entire coast of North Carolina.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Nags Head does hereby support the passage of Senate Bill 599 to protect the shorelines of North Carolina and supports the construction of terminal groin and jetty pilot projects along the entire coast of North Carolina. The Town encourages every member of the House of Representatives to vote in favor of this bill to protect the coast of North Carolina.

This the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008.

  
M. Renée Cahoon, Mayor  
Town of Nags Head

ATTEST:

  
Carolyn F. Morris, Town Clerk



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**Resolution To Request State Funding  
For Nags Head Emergency Beach Nourishment Project**

**WHEREAS**, the Dare County Outer Banks attracts five million vacationers annually with research showing that the beaches are the primary and most favored activity with many of these vacationers enjoying Nags Head's over 10 miles of beaches and 40 public beach access areas; AND

**WHEREAS**, the beaches drive tourism and tourism is the major industry for Dare County and Nags Head, providing more than 15,000 full-time jobs and an annual payroll of \$158 million for Dare and surrounding counties, and generating state and local tax revenues of approximately \$60 million; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Nags Head tourism industry is threatened by the loss of beaches due to erosion with some parts of the town experiencing as much as 10 feet per year; AND

**WHEREAS**, beach erosion from hurricanes and storms has caused over \$7.5 million in property and infrastructure damage within Nags Head over the past five years; AND

**WHEREAS**, erosion has reduced the width of the beach so necessary for endangered sea turtle, nesting and the success of other aquatic organisms; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Town has attempted but been unsuccessful in obtaining a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers beach nourishment project and, as a result, has proceeded with a local emergency beach nourishment project to protect its community and livelihood; AND

**WHEREAS**, the Town's \$32.7 million emergency project entails the dredging and placement of up to 4.5 million cubic yards of sand on approximately 10 miles of Town shoreline, advancing the shoreline 50 to 150 feet and thereby hopefully protecting the Town's beaches; AND

**WHEREAS**, the project will be financed with \$24 million in general obligation bonds (referendum in April 2007) and a contribution from Dare County, thereby placing a significant burden upon the taxpayers and residents of the Town; AND

**WHEREAS**, the State of North Carolina has supported other communities through water resources development projects within the Department of Environment and Natural Resources with beach nourishment, including Carolina Beach, Ocean Island Beach and Topsail Beach.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Nags Head Board of Commissioners respectfully requests a \$3 million beach renourishment water resources development project grant within the Department of Environment and Natural Resources' budget to provide much needed funding for the Town's locally funded emergency beach renourishment project;

**FURTHERMORE** that a copy of this RESOLUTION be forwarded to President Pro Tempore Marc Basnight, Representative Timothy Spear and Department of Environment and Natural Resources Secretary William Ross, requesting that they take all necessary and appropriate actions to fund this much needed assistance in the current session of the General Assembly.

**M. Renée Cahoon, Mayor**  
**Town of Nags Head**

ATTEST:

Carolyn F. Morris, Town Clerk



**RESOLUTION**

**SUPPORTING THE REINSTATEMENT OF THE UPTON-JONES AMENDMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the National Flood Insurance Act was adopted in 1968 which established the National Flood Insurance Program with the purpose of providing affordable insurance coverage and reducing future flood losses; AND

**WHEREAS**, the amendment to the National Flood Insurance Act, known as the Upton-Jones Amendment, was adopted in 1988 and modified the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to no longer require a homeowner to wait for destruction of their home by erosion but allow a homeowner to present claims and be recompensed beforehand if occurrence of damage was imminent; AND

**WHEREAS**, fewer-than-expected homeowners made use of the benefits of the Upton-Jones Amendment program and the amendment was repealed on September 23, 1994; AND

**WHEREAS**, as more structures become imminently threatened with destruction and the public beaches become littered with condemned structures, re-adoption of the Upton-Jones Amendment is desperately needed to provide property owners the ability to demolish or relocate their ocean/waterside properties prior to collapse and to maintain useable and accessible public beaches.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Nags Head does hereby request that the Congress of the United States re-adopt the Upton-Jones Amendment to the National Flood Insurance Act and requests the support and assistance of North Carolina's congressional delegation to that end.

This the 5th day of March 2008.

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**M. Renée Cahoon, Mayor**  
**Town of Nags Head**

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Carolyn F. Morris, Town Clerk