

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF VEHICULAR IDLE
REDUCTION (2009-____)**

WHEREAS, numerous carcinogens including benzene and heavy metals are found in vehicle exhaust and emissions from idling vehicles contributed significantly to air pollution, and to increased rates of respiratory disease which adversely affect Leon County citizens, especially children, seniors, and people with weakened immune systems; and

WHEREAS, vehicle idling often occurs in location where Leon County citizens can be exposed to air pollutant emissions such as drive-through windows, parking lots, school grounds, and shopping centers.

WHEREAS, the Florida Medical Association not only recommends anti-idling legislation for Florida, but for the entire nation and the American Lung Association supports efforts to decrease pollution from mobile sources; and

WHEREAS, according to the US EPA, idling a vehicle for longer than 30 seconds consumes more fuel than restarting the vehicle, resulting in excessive emissions and contributing to increased greenhouse gases

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, that:

1. Support the reduction of unnecessary vehicle idling throughout the community
2. Supports the adoption of "No idle" zones at public, semi-public and private facilities where the public can be exposed to vehicle exhaust
2. Plans to enact a policy to minimize the idling of County fleet vehicles; and
4. Supports broad education of the public about health, environmental, and economic impacts of idling and ways to reduce idling

DONE AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County,
Florida, on this the 25th day of August 2009.

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
Bryan Desloge, Chairman
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

BOB INZER, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____

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