RESOLUTION: 14-04

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA, SETTING FORTH APPOINTMENTS OF MEMBERSHIP TO THE LEON COUNTY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in October of 1978, pursuant to the former Florida Statutes Sections 23.145, et. seq., the Charter of the Leon County Research and Development Authority was executed, creating said authority; and,

WHEREAS, in July of 1979, the new Part V, Chapter 159 of the Florida Statutes was enacted and became law, thereby setting forth the requirements for the creation, by Ordinance, of a Research and Development Authority by counties of the state, and empowering such authorities to issue revenue bonds or other such debt obligations to finance the construction of capital projects; and,

WHEREAS, in 1980, the Leon County Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No., 80-68 confirming and creating the existence of the Leon County Research and Development Authority (said Ordinance being codified in Chapter 2 of the Code of Laws of Leon County at Section 2-57); and,

WHEREAS, Section 2-57 of the Code of Laws of Leon County requires that there shall be no less than five members of the Leon County Research and Development Authority, and Florida Statutes Section 159.703 sets forth the requirements that such five members shall be residents and electors of, or have their principal place of employment in, Leon County, Florida, and that, in addition to the other members, the president of each affiliated institution of higher education, or the president's designee, shall be a member of the authority and shall serve ex officio; and,

WHEREAS, the Leon County Board of County Commissioners wishes to memorialize the membership of the Leon County Research and Development Authority by the adoption of this resolution setting forth the number of members and the composition of the Leon County Research and Development Authority; and,

WHEREAS, this adopted Resolution will serve to supersede Resolution No. 11-07.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Leon County Board of County Commissioners as follows:

Section 1. That the Leon County Board of County Commissioners hereby ratifies and confirms the existence of the Leon County Research and Development Authority as set forth in Chapter 2 of the Code of Laws of Leon County and as provided for in Chapter 159, Part V, Florida Statutes.

Section 2. That the Leon County Research and Development Authority shall be composed of eleven (11) members as described hereinbelow, all of whom shall be residents and electors of, or have their principal place of employment in Leon County, Florida:

1. The President of Florida A & M University or the President or the President of Florida A & M University's designee, who shall serve ex officio;

2. The President of Florida State University or the President of Florida State University's designee, who shall serve ex officio;

3. The President of Tallahassee Community College or the President of Tallahassee Community College's designee, who shall serve ex officio;

4. The Mayor of the City of Tallahassee or the Mayor of the City of Tallahassee's designee, who shall serve ex officio;

5. One member of the Leon County Board of County Commissioners, appointed by a majority vote of the Leon County Board of County Commissioners and by a duly enacted resolution of the Leon County Board of County Commissioners, to serve a term of four years or until such time such appointee ceases to be a member of the Leon County Board of County Commissioners, whichever date earliest occurs; and

6. Six members, each representing a particular business/industry private sector, such as: (1) banking/finance; (2) real estate/development; (3) energy; (4) high performance materials; (5) bio technology/bio medical; and, (6) aerospace/aviation. All of whom shall appointed by a majority vote of the Leon County Board of County Commissioners and by a duly enacted resolution of the Leon County Board of County Commissioners, to each serve a term of four years. A nominating committee, composed of the County Administrator or his designee, who shall act as the nominating committee's chairperson, the President of the Tallahassee/Leon County Economic Development Council, the Director of the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory at Innovation Park, the President of the Capital City Chamber of Commerce, and the Director of the Florida State University /Florida A & M University College of Engineering, shall make recommendations to the Leon County Board of County Commissioners for appointment of such six members to the Leon County Research and Development Authority.

Section 3. That the Leon County Research and Development Authority is hereby directed to amend its bylaws to include its new composition and number of members as set forth herein.

Section 4. That this Resolution shall supersede Resolution No. 11-07 and these changes shall take effect on April 8, 2014, and shall apply thereafter.

Proposed, presented, and passed this 8th day of April, 2014

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LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Kristin Dozier, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

BOB INZER, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: John Stott, Deputy Clerk
Bob Inzer, Clerk of the Court

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Herbert W. A. Thiele, Esq.