

**RESOLUTION 2006-03**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF POLK CITY, FLORIDA, IN  
SUPPORT OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ELDER  
AFFAIRS' COMMUNITIES FOR A LIFETIME INITIATIVE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Polk City supports the Florida Department of Elder Affairs' *Communities for a Lifetime* initiative to make Florida a friendlier place to live for people of all ages, that they may be as independent as long as possible, and remain in their homes and in the communities they love; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Florida has the highest percentage of elders of any state in the nation and our elder population will continue to increase, reaching numbers without precedent in the first part of the twenty-first Century; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to allow all residents to maintain their dignity, security and independence, communities must evaluate, assess and modify their infrastructure to create a *Community for a Lifetime*, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Polk City and the Florida Department of Elder Affairs share the vision and responsibility to improve the life of all citizens so they can prepare for and enjoy aging in place throughout their life; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to achieve our mutual goals, cities and counties should begin to build together a place free of physical, emotion and social barriers,

**NOW BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that our community, will make every effort to first evaluate and later remove barriers to create a *Community for a Lifetime*.

**DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 12<sup>th</sup> Day of June 2006.

**CITY OF POLK CITY, FLORIDA**

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DONALD L. PENTON, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Paula Roddenberry, City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:**

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Jeffery Sullivan, City Attorney