

RESOLUTION NO. 12-04-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA URGING ALL PALM BEACH COUNTY CITIZENS AND THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND LEADERSHIP OF VARIOUS PALM BEACH COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL BODIES TO DO ALL THINGS WITHIN THEIR POWER TO BRING THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD UNDER THE OVERSIGHT OF THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL TO FACILITATE PRUDENT AND RESTRAINED BUDGET GOVERNANCE WITH REDUCED FRAUD AND WASTE; SETTING FORTH INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Lake Park ("Town") is a municipal corporation of the State of Florida with such power and authority as has been conferred upon it by the Florida Constitution and Chapter 166, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, property owners in the Town of Lake Park and all other property owners in Palm Beach County pay disproportionately high levels of property taxes for the operation of Palm Beach County government and the Palm Beach County School District; and

WHEREAS, A large percentage of the Palm Beach County general operating budget and the resulting tax rate is directly related to the operations of the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission believes that the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and the Palm Beach County School District budget governance must be prudent and restrained and elected officials must review past decisions for sustainability without large future tax increases; and

WHEREAS, in November 2010 the voters of Palm Beach County, including those residing in the 38 municipalities in Palm Beach County, voted overwhelmingly to amend the Charter of Palm Beach County to establish a countywide Code of Ethics, an independent Commission on Ethics and an independent Office of Inspector General; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Inspector General is to provide independent oversight of publicly funded transactions, projects and other local government operations; and

WHEREAS, placing the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and the Palm Beach County School District under the oversight of the Office of Inspector General will

ultimately facilitate the deliverance of budget governance that is both prudent and restrained and will also root out fraud, waste, malfeasance, misfeasance, theft, and other illegal acts and abuses to the extent that such exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 2. The Town Commission of the Town of Lake Park hereby urges all of its citizens, the Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, the School Board of the Palm Beach County School District, the Sheriff of Palm Beach County, the Commission on Ethics, the Ethics Ordinance Drafting Committee, the Palm Beach County League of Cities and the elected officials of each municipality in Palm Beach County to do all things within their power to bring the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and the Palm Beach County School District under the oversight of the Office of Inspector General.

Section 3. The Town Clerk, or her designee, is hereby directed to provide a copy of this resolution to the members of the Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation, the members of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, the members of the School Board of the Palm Beach County School District, the Sheriff of Palm Beach County, the members of the Commission on Ethics, the members of the Ethics Ordinance Drafting Committee, the Palm Beach County League of Cities, and the elected officials of each municipality in Palm Beach County.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner Heckman who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Mayor Du Bois, and upon being put to a roll call vote, the vote was as follows:

	AYE	NAY
MAYOR DESCA DUBOIS	<u>/</u>	—
VICE-MAYOR KENDALL RUMSEY	<u>/</u>	—
COMMISSIONER STEVEN HOCKMAN	<u>/</u>	—
COMMISSIONER JEANINE LONGTIN	<u>/</u>	—
COMMISSIONER PATRICIA OSTERMAN	<u>/</u>	—

The Town Commission thereupon declared the foregoing Resolution NO. **12-04-11** duly passed and adopted this 6 day of April, 2011.

TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA

BY: [Signature]
for DESCA DUBOIS
MAYOR

ATTEST:

[Signature]
VIVIAN M. LEMLEY
TOWN CLERK



Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

BY: [Signature]
THOMAS J BAIRD
TOWN ATTORNEY