## COUNTY OF DORCHESTER

## A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DORCHESTER COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION TO INITIATE LEGISLATION TO EXEMPT A PORTION OF DORCHESTER COUNTY FROM "CRITICAL AREA PERMITTING REGULATIONS"

**WHEREAS**, the Coastal Tidelands and Wetlands Act, S.C. Code Ann. Sec. 48-39-10, et. seq., as amended, was enacted to protect and regulate critical areas of the South Carolina "Coastal zone" as that term is defined therein; and,

**WHEREAS**, S.C. Code Ann. Sec. 48-39-10 (B), includes Dorchester County, South Carolina, as a whole, in the definition of "Coastal zone;" and,

**WHEREAS**, only a portion of Dorchester County is defined as coastal waters/tidelands as set forth in S.C. Code of Regulations 30-10, specifically an area along S.C. 165 (Bacons Bridge Road) until its intersection with S.C. 642 (Dorchester Road).

**WHEREAS**, Dorchester County seeks equal treatment and equivalent opportunities in comparison with the other thirty-eight (38) counties which are not burdened by the referenced Act and the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it Resolved by Dorchester County Council, duly assembled, that Dorchester County requests that its Legislative Delegation immediately introduce Legislation for the purpose of exempting all portions of Dorchester County from the requirements of S.C. Code Ann. Sec. 48-39-10, et. seq. as amended, as well as the Critical Area Permitting Regulations R. 30-1 through R.30-18, save and except those areas of Dorchester County within the "Critical Area Boundary" as defined in S.C. Code of Regulations 30-10.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that upon adoption of this Resolution, the original shall be presented to the Chairman of the Dorchester County Legislative Delegation and a copy filed in the permanent records of Dorchester County, South Carolina.

Adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015

BY:

David Chinnis, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sally K. Hebert, Clerk