

# CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION

EST. 1868

WHEREAS, the Flagler Soil and Water Conservation District was created in 1952; and

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2014, the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity requested that the Commissioner of Agriculture exercise the authority granted in Section 582.30(3)(b), Florida Statutes to dissolve the Flagler Soil and Water Conservation District for failure to repeatedly comply with Chapter 189, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Agriculture requested the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Office of Agricultural Water Policy and Office of Inspector General to investigate the viability of the Flagler Soil and Water Conservation District and to determine if its continued operation is administratively practicable and feasible under the provisions of Chapter 582, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Office of Inspector General, pursuant to Section 582.30(3)(b), Florida Statutes, reviewed the Flagler Soil and Water Conservation District's compliance with Chapter 189, Florida Statutes, and confirmed in writing that the district has repeatedly failed to comply with the annual audit or financial reporting requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Agricultural Water Policy, pursuant to Section 582.30(4), Florida Statutes, caused notice to be published once a week for 2 weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within Flagler County, stating the name of the district and a general description of the territory included in the district, and requiring that any comments or objections to the proposed action must be filed with the department clerk no later than 60 days after the date of last publication, which was August 3, 2014; and

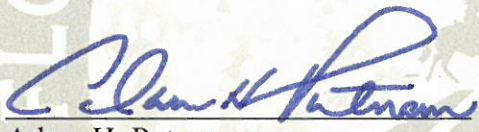
WHEREAS, upon conclusion of the 60-day comment period, the Office of Agricultural Water reviewed its information, the Department of Economic Opportunity's written request, comments received, the Office of Inspector General's written confirmation that the district has failed to comply with audit and financial reporting requirements, and the district's past activity; and

WHEREAS, based on all available information, the Office of Agricultural Water Policy has confirmed to the Commissioner of Agriculture that the Flagler Soil and Water Conservation District has met the requirements for dissolution pursuant to Section 582.30, Florida Statutes, and therefore recommends that the Commissioner issue a certificate determining that the continued operation of the district is not administratively practicable and feasible under the provisions of Chapter 582, Florida Statutes.

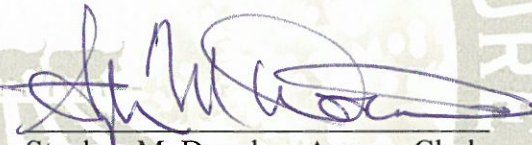
NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 582.30, Florida Statutes, having received a request from the Department of Economic Opportunity requesting that the Flagler Soil and Water Conservation District be dissolved for failing to meet its reporting requirements under Chapter 189, Florida Statutes, and having received written confirmation of such from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Inspector General, and after consideration of the foregoing,

I, Adam H. Putnam, as Commissioner of Agriculture, find that the Flagler Soil and Water Conservation District's continued operation is not administratively practicable and feasible under the provisions of Chapter 582, Florida Statutes, and is hereby DISSOLVED.

Done on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.



Adam H. Putnam  
Commissioner of Agriculture



Stephen M. Donelan, Agency Clerk

