

RESOLUTION NO. R 032 89

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL, DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION, ACQUIRING THE RIGHTS TO ASSAWOMAN CANAL, SUSSEX COUNTY, DELAWARE

WHEREAS, the Assawoman Canal contains 98.37 acres and has been determined to be surplus government property; and

WHEREAS, the property is a 215 foot wide strip which begins at White Creek on the north and runs 3.3 miles southeasterly to Little Assawoman Bay; and

WHEREAS, the U. S. General Services Administration, Region 4, has declared the Assawoman Canal as surplus government property; and

WHEREAS, the Assawoman Canal is surplus property available for disposal under the provisions of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the disposal of the Assawoman Canal, or portions thereof, may be made to public agencies for public use; and

WHEREAS, the State of Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, Division of Parks and Recreation, wishes to take ownership of the Assawoman Canal for one hundred percent (100%) public benefit; and

WHEREAS, the Assawoman Canal would best serve the residents of Sussex County as an animal and bird observation and photography area, as well as for nature studies, trails, wildlife habitat, and wetland preservation;


NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Sussex County Council has met in public session and endorses the Division of Parks and Recreation's plan to secure ownership of the Assawoman Canal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution will be presented to Joan P. Brown, Chief, Real Estate Office, State of Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental

Control, Division of Parks and Recreation, and Gary C. Cason,
Regional Administrator, General Services Administration, Region 4.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY
OF RESOLUTION NO. R 032 89 PASSED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF SUSSEX
COUNTY ON THE 7TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1989.



DORIS E. ROGERS
CLERK OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL