

ALACHUA COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-__

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA,
DEDICATING SANTA FE LAKE PARK IN HONOR OF
JILL MCGUIRE; APPROVING THE NAMING OF THE
PARK; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners (“BOCC”) owns Santa Fe Lake Park, 24500 NE SR 26, Melrose, Alachua County, Florida 32666; and

WHEREAS, the Naming Alachua County Facilities Policy permits the dedication of a County facility to an individual; and

WHEREAS, Jill McGuire was an environmental icon, a well-known and respected community leader; a longtime president of the Santa Fe Lake Dwellers Association; and a local and state champion for environmental protection; and

WHEREAS, Jill McGuire developed strong relationships with the Native Plant Society, Florida Springs Council, Our Santa Fe River, St. Johns Riverkeeper, Audubon Society, Sierra Club, Putnam County Environmental Council and others, becoming a powerhouse in the Florida environmental movement; and

WHEREAS, Jill McGuire, for over thirty-five years, faithfully and tirelessly served as an advocate and protector of the Santa Fe wetlands, wildlife, river, lakes and the floodplain swamp; and

WHEREAS, Jill McGuire was a dedicated environmental educator - planning, participating in, and holding regular educational meetings on a variety of environmental issues and subjects from native aquatic plants and invasive species, to water pollution and conservation, to name a few; and

WHEREAS, Jill McGuire was well respected and had a good working relationship with the St. John's Water Management District, Suwannee River Water Management District, and the Alachua County Department of Environmental Protection.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are correct and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Dedication. The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners hereby finds Jill McGuire has contributions made to the community and renames Santa Fe Lake Park to now be known as “Jill McGuire Park.”

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Board of County Commissioners.

DULY ADOPTED in regular session this _____ day of _____, 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Anna Prizzia, Chair

ATTEST:

J.K. “Jess” Irby, Esq.
Clerk of Court

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Alachua County Attorney