

Supervisor **BEVERLY MARTIN** moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE NCBC AND SPECIAL AREAS JOINT LAND USE STUDY (JLUS) FINAL REPORT AND SUPPORTING THE STRATEGIES THEREIN AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JLUS POLICY COMMITTEE AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, NCBC Gulfport and Special Areas consists of NCBC Gulfport, Woolmarket Range, the Western Maneuver Area (WMA), and Stennis International Airport located in southern Mississippi along the Gulf Coast. NCBC is located within the City of Gulfport, Mississippi and is bordered by the City of Long Beach and Harrison County. Woolmarket Range is located within the DeSoto National Forest in Harrison County. The WMA is located adjacent to Stennis Space Center within the Stennis Acoustic Buffer Zone in Hancock County. Stennis International Airport is primarily within the Stennis Acoustic Buffer Zone in Hancock County. The expansive mission and location requires varied agency participation to encapsulate all affected communities. Jurisdictional participation includes Harrison and Hancock Counties and the cities of Gulfport and Long Beach; and

WHEREAS, NCBC and Special Areas are recognized by all jurisdictions as an important asset to the nation's defense and is integral to Navy force mobilization requirements, live-fire and maneuvering training and the missions of other significant military commands; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of a JLUS is to encourage cooperative land use planning and coordination between military installations and the surrounding communities so that future civilian growth and development are compatible with the training, testing, and/or operational missions of the installation; and to seek ways to reduce existing or potential future impacts on adjacent lands; and

WHEREAS, the Study is considered vital to protecting the mission of the installation and outlying facilities and thus maintaining and promoting the positive economic impact of NCBC and Special Areas within southern Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the NCBC and Special Areas JLUS was initiated in April 2016 with support from the Gulf Regional Planning Commission, Harrison and Hancock Counties and the cities of Gulfport and Long Beach and NCBC; and

WHEREAS, the NCBC and Special Areas JLUS Policy and Technical Committees, composed of elected officials, technical experts, and interested stakeholders, have been actively involved in the process and have had the opportunity to collaborate and work towards win-win solutions and recommendations as detailed in the study for each jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the final JLUS report has recommended various compatibility and coordination strategies to help preserve the mission of NCBC and Special Areas to reduce potential loss of operations and missions in the future; and

WHEREAS, the JLUS Policy and Technical Committees on July 24, 2017, voted to accept the NCBC and Special Areas JLUS and recommended that Harrison and Hancock Counties and the cities of

Gulfport and Long Beach adopt a resolution to accept the JLUS report and support the recommendations described in the study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS: that the document consisting of text, maps, and graphics, entitled NCBC and Special Areas Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) is hereby adopted.

Supervisor **CONNIE M. ROCKCO** seconded the Motion to adopt the above and foregoing Resolution, whereupon the question was put to a vote with the following results:

Supervisor BEVERLY MARTIN	voted	AYE
Supervisor ANGEL KIBLER-MIDDLETON	voted	AYE
Supervisor MARLIN R. LADNER	voted	AYE
Supervisor KENT JONES	voted	(ABSENT & EXCUSED)
Supervisor CONNIE ROCKCO	voted	AYE

The majority of the members present, having voted in the affirmative, the Motion was declared carried and the Resolution was adopted on this, the 7th day of August, 2017.