## **RESOLUTION NO. 21-005**

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE JAMES ISLAND PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT TO APPLY TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY FOR GRANT FUNDING FOR ITS SEWER EXPANSION PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority (the "*RIA*") FY2022 Grant Program provides grant funding up to \$500,000 for Basic Infrastructure to assist communities in bringing systems into compliance with environmental quality standards, protect public health from environmental concerns or improve the capacity and sustainability of existing infrastructure;

WHEREAS, the James Island Public Service District (the "District") is a public body corporate and politic of the State of South Carolina created pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 498 of the Acts and Joint Resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, regular Session of 1961, as amended ("Act No. 498"); and

WHEREAS, The District and Town of James Island are jointly working together to extend sewer service infrastructure to approximately 208 existing residential lots located within three old residential subdivisions currently without public sewer service. These three areas, Clarks Point, Oak Point, and Up on The Hill, each border James Island Creek tidal marshes. Each of these residential subdivisions were developed in the late 1960 and early 1970 and continue to be served by on-site septic tank and tile field systems that have remained in service for approximately fifty years. Soil types and high ground water levels within these older subdivisions are poorly suited for the proper function of conventional septic tanks and tile fields. Non-point storm water runoff from these septic tank systems discharges directly into the adjacent tidal marshes within the James Island Creek watershed. The proposed low-pressure wastewater collection and transmission project will directly mitigate documented non-point septic tank system pollution within the adjacent tidal marshes from these subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, the District's Commission willingly supports the RIA grant application process; and

**WHEREAS**, the District has determined that it is in its best interests to apply to the South Carolina RIA for grant funds for its sewer expansion project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission, in a meeting duly assembled:

1. The Commission hereby authorizes the District Manager to complete, execute, and submit applications to the RIA for grants funds. The District Manager is further authorized to take such actions as may be necessary or convenient to complete the application process.

ADOPTED, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021.

## JAMES ISLAND PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT SOUTH CAROLINA



By: Maryn T. Cle Chair,

James Island Public Service District Commission

Attest:

MRWOO Secretary,

James Island Public Service District Commission