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*Via E-Mail*

Paul Brazil, P.E.  
Director of Public Works  
P.O. Box 2029  
Palm Beach, FL 33480

Re: Request to Place Groin Rehabilitation Project Issue on Town Council Agenda

Dear Mr. Brazil:

Blossom Way Holdings LLC, is the owner of the property located at 1265 South Ocean Boulevard the ("Property"). The Property is located in Reach 5 of the Town of Palm Beach adjacent to the Atlantic Ocean. There are four groins associated with this Property that extend into the Atlantic Ocean. These were previously designated Groin Structure Identification Nos. G51225, G50946, G50601, and G50249. In December of 2018, the Town of Palm Beach obtained from the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army Permit No. SAG-2015-0348(SP-KDS) authorizing the Town of Palm Beach to proceed with a project involving the removal of 41 groins, including the four groins associated with the Property, and replacement of each of those groins with a concrete king pile and panel groin, and the removal of an additional 34 groins. In September of 2013, then Town of Palm Beach Mayor Gail L. Coniglio signed the Palm Beach Island Beach Management Agreement. The Beach Management Agreement was also signed by the Mayor of Palm Beach County, the Deputy Secretary of Regulatory Programs of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and the Assistant Executive Director of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. The Palm Beach Island Beach Management Agreement, which was updated in 2021 and is currently in effect, authorizes the larger groin project that is also authorized by the referenced Department of the Army Permit. As you know, work on that larger project has not yet begun.

The larger groin project that is authorized by the Department of the Army Permit and the Beach Management Agreement is an important public works project for the Town of Palm Beach. When implemented fully, this project should help to minimize erosion and stabilize sand.

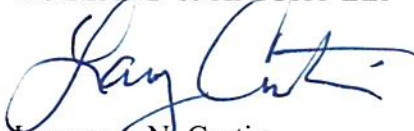
In accordance with recent discussions with you and Town of Palm Beach staff, and our representatives, the purpose of this letter is to request that the Town Council consider for approval at the earliest available meeting a proposal to move forward with the removal and replacement of

the four groins associated with the Property at the expense of Blossom Way Holdings LLC with coordination with the Town of Palm Beach staff, using the permits and approvals obtained and to be obtained by the Town of Palm Beach, with design, procurement, construction, post construction support, and compliance managed through engagement of Coastal Protection Engineering.

We ask that this request be placed on the next available agenda for consideration by the Town Council. Please let us know if any further information is needed. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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