

**RESOLUTION 2012-12-01**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN OPPOSITION TO  
INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS THAT LIMIT OR INFRINGE THE  
DOMESTIC RIGHTS OF US CITIZENS AND AGENDA 21.**

**RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, many people have raised serious concerns regarding recent controversial UN plans, conventions, and treaties as having the ability to limit or supersede domestic policies and freedoms, and

**WHEREAS**, the Taylor County Board of County Commissioners recognizes that the purpose of our federal, state and local government are to preserve and protect the rights of life, liberty, and property for each citizen, and

**WHEREAS**, in order to preserve these liberties it is crucial that the United States of America remain a sovereign nation free from subjugation to the United Nations, and

**WHEREAS**, threats to citizen's constitutional rights due to forces outside the United States may be viewed in terms of a loss of sovereignty and acknowledge that as a Nation without sovereignty the United States would no longer be an independent Nation, and

**WHEREAS**, the supremacy clause of the US Constitution states that treaties made, or, which shall be made, under the authority of the United States, shall be the supreme law of the land; and

**WHEREAS**, domestic laws and policies at the national, state, and local levels of governance undergo rigorous checks and balances that ensure and encourage input from citizens of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations' (UN) Charter prohibits the UN from intervening in matters which are essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any state; and

**WHEREAS**, in the 1957 case of *Reid v. Covert*, the US Supreme Court established that the rights and prohibitions prescribed by the US Constitution supersede treaties ratified by the US Senate, and

**WHEREAS**, Agenda 21, a plan of the United Nations introduced at the *United Nations Conference on Environment and Development* held in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, 1992, is a far reaching and extremely controversial document that attempts to address issues such as climate change, poverty, hunger, health, and literacy through policies on the environment and development through "global consensus", and

**WHEREAS**, many residents of Taylor County have expressed serious concerns about the proposed policies included in the United Nations Agenda 21, specifically in relation to property rights and socialist views; and

**WHEREAS**, Agenda 21 has not been ratified by the Congress of the United States, nor endorsed by the State of Florida or the Taylor County Board of County Commissioners, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Taylor County's focus is centered on strengthening and diversifying our economic base, preserving and enhancing the quality of life of current and future residents, providing private property owners an array of options to develop their private property, and protecting our natural resources as allowed within the laws of the United States of America, and the State of Florida.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of County Commissioners of Taylor County, Florida, as follows:

- 1) Our initiatives are developed through transparent input and participation of Taylor County residents without consideration of United Nations Agenda 21 or other UN plans, conventions, and treaties as having the ability to limit or supersede domestic policies and freedoms, and
- 2) That a certified copy of this resolution is to be sent to the Governor of Florida, the Secretary of State, as well as our state and federal elected officials.

**THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED AND ADOPTED in regular session this 18th day of December 2012.**



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

Pam Feagle, Chair

ATTEST:

*Annie Mae Murphy*  
ANNIE MAE MURPHY, Clerk