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Ms. Beth Mitchell  
Chairperson  
Indian River Lagoon National Scenic Byway  
Corridor Management Entity  
700 Main St.  
Sebastian, Florida 32136

**Subject: Designation of Indian River Lagoon National Scenic Byway – Pineapple Avenue  
Corridor Extension as a Florida Scenic Highway**

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

After careful consideration and the recommendation of the Scenic Highways Advisory Committee (SHAC), I concur that the Indian River Lagoon National Scenic Byway – Pineapple Avenue Corridor Extension has met the requirements necessary for *designation* as a Florida Scenic Highway. The Indian River Lagoon National Scenic Byway – Pineapple Avenue Corridor Extension limits have been established as the 2 miles of Pineapple Avenue in the City of Melbourne, Brevard County depicted in the inset on the attached map.

The complete Indian River Lagoon National Scenic Byway – Pineapple Avenue Corridor Extension Designation Application demonstrates the corridor meets the requirements of the Florida Scenic Highways Program under the Scenic Corridor classification. Scenic corridors are designated Scenic Highways based on their natural, recreational, and/or scenic value to the State of Florida.

Attached is a list of recommendations from the Scenic Highway Advisory Committee's review of the Designation Application. Please address these recommendations in the 5-Year Corridor Management Plan update, due to the FDOT District 5 District Scenic Highways Coordinator in June 2010.

I offer my personal congratulations to you and the membership of the Corridor Management Entity, for your diligence and quality of work in obtaining designation for the corridor. Thank you for caring about Florida's precious resources and working so hard to ensure their enjoyment for years to come.

Sincerely,

Stephanie C. Kopelousos  
Secretary

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Attachments:

Map  
SHAC Recommendations  
Secretary Designation Statement  
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Scenic Highway Advisory Committee's (SHAC) recommendations to the Corridor Management Entity (CME) for inclusion in the next Corridor Management Plan (CMP) update due June 2010:

1. The CME should work in encouraging more stakeholders to participate as members.
2. The CME should broaden the inclusion of resources in the local comprehensive plans.
3. The Indian River Lagoon Scenic Byway – Pineapple Avenue Corridor Extension is not automatically designated as part of the National Scenic Byway designation of the original Indian River Lagoon National Scenic Byway. A separate nomination application for an extension of the nationally designated corridor, in context to the existing National Scenic Byway (NSB), will have to be submitted to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) during the next national nomination cycle. The CME will be required to identify the same intrinsic qualities that can be found along the nationally designated portion of the byway and explain how the proposed extension relates to and enhances the current NSB.

As Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), the signature below indicates the approval and endorsement of the Corridor Management Plan (CMP) and this corridor extension for designation as a Florida Scenic Highway. FDOT approval of this management plan represents our agreement to serve in a partnership with the Corridor Management Entity (CME) to preserve, enhance and maintain the designated scenic highway corridor. We recognize the grass roots initiative and strong local support for this corridor demonstrated by the communities involved in the preparation of this management plan. This corridor management plan acknowledges that the designated corridor will be subject to the requirements of the Section 1046(c) of the Intermodal Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 which added a new subsection(s) to the 23 United States Code (USC) 131 and the requirements of the Uniform Act. I hereby designate this corridor as a Florida Scenic Highway.



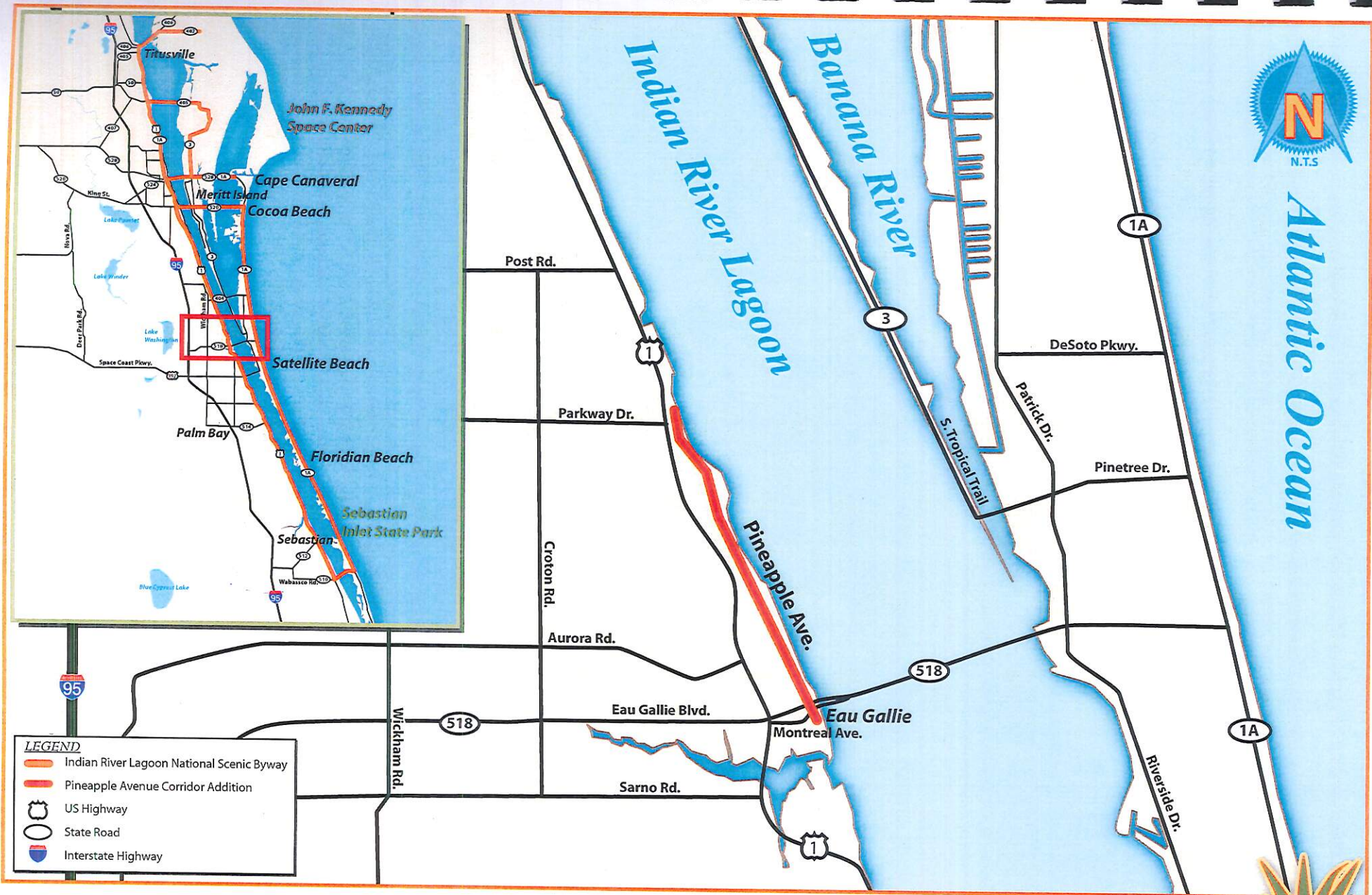
Stephanie C. Kopelousos

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Secretary, Florida Department of Transportation

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Project Location Map  
Figure 1

Pineapple Avenue Corridor Addition  
Indian River Lagoon National Scenic Byway

