ALACHUA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION NO. 2022 - ___

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA; APPOINTING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY AS REGISTERED AGENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE ON ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, effective January 2, 2023, Senate Bill No. 1062, Law of Florida 2022-

190, amends Section 48.111, Florida Statutes, regarding the conditions for the acceptance of process on and against public agencies and officers; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida ("Board") desires to appoint a registered agent for the purpose of service of process against Alachua County ("County") as provided under the law; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney, as the in-house attorney for the County, provides legal representation for the both the Board and the County Manager, and is best suited to be authorized to act as a registered agent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. <u>Recitals</u>. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. <u>Resolution</u>. The County Attorney for Alachua County is hereby appointed as the registered agent for the purpose of acceptance of service of process against Alachua County, Florida; the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida; and the Alachua County Manager. The County Attorney may delegate this authorization to other attorneys in the Alachua County Attorney's Office, without necessity of further approval of this Board. The Board may revoke this appointment at any time.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective upon approval by

the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua County, Florida.

DULY ADOPTED in regular session, this ____ day of _____, 2022.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

BY:

Marihelen Wheeler, Chair Board of County Commissioners

J.K. "Jess" Irby, Esq. Clerk of Court

APPROVED AS TO FORM

County Attorney

(SEAL)