

Resolution 2011 - 05

STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY CITY OF CLAY

A Resolution Supporting the Reauthorization of the Forever Wild Program

Whereas in the past 19 years of its existence, the Forever Wild Program has been managed by a diverse Board of Trustees that represents the broad interests of Alabama's citizens; and

Whereas through the assistance of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR), the program has received outstanding fiscal stewardship, and has served as a model for effective government administration; and

Whereas these state lands provide an enhancement to the quality of life for the citizens of our area and the state, as recreational lands and habitat for Alabama's natural heritage of plants and animals; and

Whereas these Forever Wild lands maintain open space that provides for clean air and water necessary for a healthy environment; and

Whereas the funds supporting land acquisition by the Forever Wild Program are derived from the sale of Alabama's natural gas resources, thereby re-investing one natural resource into another, all without an increase in taxes; and

Whereas these lands support the state's tourism industry, and serve as an asset of the State of Alabama benefiting our collective economies; and

Whereas the Forever Wild Program has secured over 220,000 acres of land for Nature Preserves, Wildlife Management Areas, State Parks, and Recreation areas.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the City of Clay supports the protection and reauthorization of the Forever Wild Program under Constitutional Amendment 543, thereby extending the Forever Wild Program's funding as presently provided under Constitutional Amendment 543, to support the purchase of additional conservation lands within Alabama.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED, this 4th Day of April 2011.

	Attest:	
Ed McGuffie	Bobby Christmas	
Mayor	City Clerk/Treasurer	r



I, the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Clay, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of Resolution 2011 - 05 lawfully passed and adopted by the City Council named therein, at a regular meeting of such Council, and that such resolution is on file in the City Clerk's Office.

I further certify that said Resolution was posted as required by State Law at the following locations: Chalkville Regions Bank; Clay City Hall; Clay Post Office and the Clay Seniors Center all being in the City of Clay.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City on this 5^{th} Day of April, 2011.

Bobby Christmas City Clerk / Treasurer