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BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Parker:

WHEREAS, the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers has undertaken a study of the feasibility of certain works on the Apalachicola River between the Jim Woodruff dam and the mouth of the river; and

WHEREAS, each of the alternatives under study involves substantial alteration of the natural environment of the Apalachicola River; and

WHEREAS, extensive studies by agencies of the State of Florida have shown that all the proposed alternatives will have a serious detrimental effect on the Apalachicola River ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, the Apalachicola River in its natural state is of great economic, recreational, and aesthetic value to the citizens of Parker and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, the Apalachicola River and its drainage system have been declared by the Florida Pollution Control Board to be environmentally endangered lands that are irreplaceable and unique; and

WHEREAS, the relatively minor increase in commercial utility of the river to be produced by the proposed works does not justify the tremendous expense to the taxpayers and the serious detrimental effects to the river and to industries in the area dependent upon the Apalachicola River ecosystem;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Parker does hereby oppose future alterations of the Apalachicola River in any form.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Governor of the State of Florida, the Attorney General of the State of Florida, Congressman Robert L. F. Sikes, U. S. Senator Lawton Chiles, and U. S. Senator Edward Gurney.

DONE AND RESOLVED at Parker, Florida, this 3rd day
of July, 1973.

ATTEST:

Joyce Robertson
City Clerk

Earl Gilbert
Mayor

John N. Boney
Councilman

Fessie L. Merchant
Councilman

Frank Piccolo
Councilman

Lee Miller
Councilman

I, JOYCE ROBERTSON, do hereby certify that I am the
City Clerk of the City of Parker, Florida, as as such am custodian
of its records. I further certify that the above and foregoing
is a true and correct copy of a resolution of the said governing
body of the City of Parker, Florida, duly adopted at a meeting
held and convened on the 3rd day of July, 1973.

Joyce Robertson
JOYCE ROBERTSON
CITY CLERK



REUBIN O'D. ASKEW
GOVERNOR

STATE OF FLORIDA

Office of the Governor

THE CAPITOL
TALLAHASSEE 32304

July 20, 1973

Honorable Earl Gilbert
Mayor, City of Parker
Post Office Box 10745
Parker, Florida 32401

Dear Mayor Gilbert:

Governor Askew has asked me to reply to your letter of July 18 and the resolution by the Parker City Council opposing future alterations of the Apalachicola River in any form.

The Governor appreciates your interest in this matter. As you may know, the Governor shares your opposition to damming and further alterations of the river. His statement of opposition was presented to the United States Army Corps of Engineers recently at the hearing in Marianna. The State environmental agencies are unanimously opposing the navigational project proposals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ken Woodburn".

Kenneth Woodburn
Governmental Assistant

KW/rs

July 18, 1973

**Honorable Edward J. Gurney
United States Senator
5107 New Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20510**

Dear Senator:

**Please find attached a copy of resolution unanimously
passed by Parker City Council at the regular council meeting
on July 3, 1973.**

**We certainly feel as explained in our resolution this is not
for the best interest of the people in this area of Florida,
and your help in defeating this work being done will be greatly
appreciated.**

Very truly yours,

CITY OF PARKER

Earl Gilbert, Mayor

attachment

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United States Senator
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Member of House
First District Florida
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

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**Honorable Reubin O'D Askew
Governor
State of Florida
The Capitol
Tallahassee, Florida 32304**

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Chief, Permits & Statistics Branch
Operations Division
Corps of Engineers
P. O. Box 2288
Mobile, Alabama 36628

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State of Florida
The Capitol
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