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1-6-09**Rosanne Picchio**

**From:** Jonda Joseph  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 31, 2008 4:48 PM  
**To:** Rosanne Picchio  
**Subject:** FW: From Commisisoner Ken Keechl RE: Proposed Beach By-Pass Plan

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**Subject:** From Commisisoner Ken Keechl RE: Proposed Beach By-Pass Plan

Everyone:

As the County Commissioner for this area, I, too, have concerns about this project. I have had several briefings on this issue, which only served to heighten my concerns. In fact, Commissioner John Rodstrom and I voted against seeking funding for this particular project at our last County Commisison meeting until all of our concerns are addressed. Several other County Commissioners expressed concerns, including Commissioner Wexler.

As you all know, beach renourishment is a major priority of mine. This sand by pass project is not necessary to reach that goal and, by any stretch of the imagination, it is not a "done deal."

My best to you and your families.

Broward County Commissioner and Vice Mayor Ken Keechl

**From:** InaLee2020@aol.com [InaLee2020@aol.com]  
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**Subject:** Re: Proposed Beach By-Pass Plan

You have received correspondence from Genia Ellis regarding the proposed Beach By-Pass Plan. I endorse everything that has been sent by Genia as well as the resolution opposing this project from Point of Americas Board of Governors that will be sent to you.

In addition, I live at Point of Americas facing east at "Point Zero" for this project. I have lived at Point of Americas for 20 years. Daily I watch people from all over this community, from every district, every ethnicity, every age, walk on this public beach, watching the ships, swimming, fishing, enjoying our "blue wave" beach.

I talk to visitors from around the world who stay at Lago Mar, Marriott's Harbor Beach, the Sheraton Yankee Clipper and walk on this public beach, enjoying why they came to this destination--the beach!! Over the course of the year, I see thousands and thousands of cruise passengers pass this beach, many of whom are potential overnight hotel guests of our future.

This project is a HAZARD to the thousands of residents of Broward County who enjoy this beach. This proposed project is a HAZARD to our multi billion dollar tourist industry. This project is a HAZARD to our image as a world class resort destination. This project is a HAZARD to the thousands of tax paying residents of the surrounding neighborhoods. This project is a HAZARD to our environment and wildlife.

To be clear, I have supported beach renourishment for over 20 years and have made this an important agenda item as the

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founding chair of the Beach Council of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce as well as chair of the Beach Redevelopment Advisory Board for the City of Fort Lauderdale and board member of the Broward Chapter of the Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association. There are clearly other alternatives for beach renourishment that do not have the HAZARDOUS impact of this proposed project.

Please, please, please pass a resolution opposing this project.

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In a message dated 12/30/2008 3:48:54 P.M. Eastern Standard Time, ellisjazz@bellsouth.net writes:

**Mayor and Commissioners,**

**As you are aware, the County will be providing a technical presentation to the commission at your upcoming conference meeting on January 6, 2009 on the permit application for a proposed Beach By-Pass plan which will dramatically intrude on Fort Lauderdale. It should be noted that the public meetings noticed by the County were held in Hollywood, none in Fort Lauderdale, and the immediately general public was not provided with any additional information. The County did at one point talk to two condominium boards but failed to include all of the affected parties. As you are aware, there is a public beach access at this proposed location as well which services the local community and they also would be adversely affected by this plan. The potential damage to the turtle nest, living coral, sea life and plant life has not been given due consideration nor has the quality of life issues to the residents and visitors been taken into consideration. Also affected will be the marine industry as well as the tourist industry - all of which are economic drivers for our city and county.**

**It is our belief, based on the reject plan back 1998 that there has been no substantive additional review or justification to move forward with this flawed process. We respectfully request that the City Commission join with the surrounding neighborhoods in asking the county to do a more thorough study, work with the city and residents to find a solution that does not impact the quality of life. In addition, there are multiple beach plans that are on-going and this plan needs to be coordinated with those as well. We strongly support beach re-nourishment, and feel that this does not comply with the previously agreed guidelines as to how that project would be administered. We support the core plan and the dredging plan for Port Everglades and with all of these other plans, find this proposed beach by-pass plan insufficient, while better and more productive technology exists.**

**We have attached our Resolution in opposition to the proposed plan for your consideration and recording.**

**Thank you,**  
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**"Giving back to our community**  
**through neighborhood participation"**

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