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May 8, 2018

The Honorable Beam Furr  
Mayor  
Broward County BOCC  
115 S. Andrews Avenue, Room 409  
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The Honorable Doug Smith  
Commissioner  
Martin County BOCC  
2401 SE Monterey Road  
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Subject: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission – Florida Reef Tract

Dear Mayor Furr and Commissioner Smith:

With this letter, the Councils would like to extend its sincere appreciation for your continued support of the health and conservation of the Florida Reef Tract. We understand that congratulations are also in order. You both did such a nice job with your recent commentary to the Conservation Commission, that we are scheduled to give a full presentation on the issue at their June 19-20, 2018 meeting in Sarasota.

There has been extraordinary commitment and cooperation between numerous organizations from the Southeast Florida region on the globally important economic and environmental mission of conserving the Florida Reef Tract. None of this would be possible without your sustained leadership and focus on the issue. The Councils look forward to our continued work together.

Thank you again for your time and dedication to this important regional issue.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Reece J. Parrish, written in a cursive style.

Reece J. Parrish  
Chair, Treasure Coast RPC

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Frank Caplan, written in a cursive style.

Frank Caplan  
Chair, South Florida RPC

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cc: South Florida Regional Planning Council Members  
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The Honorable Kristin Jacobs, State Representative, 96<sup>th</sup> District  
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