

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING CAMPING ON THE BEACHES, DUNES, CAUSEWAYS,
AND BARRIER ISLANDS, IN FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ORDINANCE NO. 78-5

FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, Franklin County, Florida is blessed with beautiful beaches and offshore islands which are enjoyed by the people of Franklin County and visitors, and

WHEREAS, camping on the beaches, dunes, barrier islands, and bridge causeways in Franklin County has increased to the extent that camping in these areas is causing littering and pollution, and

WHEREAS, camping in these areas causes pollution, endangers the seafood industry, and could result in closing of valuable shellfish producing areas in the County, or could reduce the quality of the adjoining water.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA, in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Franklin County, Florida:

1. Camping either in a tent, camper trailer, motor home, camper vehicle or any manner whatsoever, is unlawful, forbidden, and prohibited in the following described areas in Franklin County, Florida:

St. George Island East of Bob Sikes Channel; Dog Island; Carrabelle Beach South of U.S. 98, including all South of U.S. 98 from the West line of Section 2, Township 8 South, Range 5 West, Northeasterly to State Road 376; All of Alligator Point, including Peninsular Point, Light House Point, and Ball Point, including Sections 21, 28 and 33, Township 6 South, Range 1 West, and Sections 4, 5, and 6, Township 7 South, Range 2 West, and all of Alligator Point West of the West line of said Section 6; John Gorrie Bridge Causeway, Bryant Patton Bridge Causeway, Cat Point, and Porters Bar.

Littering, dumping, or the placing of trash or waste of any kind, specifically including human waste is unlawful and prohibited.

2. St. Vincents Island, Little St. George Island, and St. George Island West of Bob Sikes Channel are owned by the Federal and State Government, have no vehicular access by public

road or ferry, and are therefore excepted and exempted from this Ordinance;

3. Camping in J.G. Bruce State Park on St. George Island, when and where specifically admitted by the Rules adopted by the State of Florida for said Park, is excepted and exempted from this Ordinance, where provision is made for garbage and trash disposal and sanitary sewage disposal facilities are available.

Camping in travel trailer parks having sewage disposal facilities approved by the County Sanitarian or State Board of Health is excepted and exempted from this Ordinance.

4. Violation of this Ordinance shall be a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable by imprisonment not to exceed thirty (30) days in the County Jail, or by fine not to exceed \$500.00 nor less than \$50.00.

This ordinance adopted in open regular meeting this 4th day of July, 1978, after notice of intent to consider the same has been made and kept in the Ordinance Book of the Clerk of the Board for at least 15 days exclusive of Sundays and legal holidays, and the title and substance hereof published according to law in the Apalachicola Times, a newspaper of general circulation within the County.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

BY: Carl Varned
Its Chairman

Attest:

Marcia M. Johnson
Clerk - Deputy
(SEAL)

