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Charles Hill, Director Florida Public Services Commission 101 E. Gaines Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Dear Mr. Hill:

Please be advised that at the Hernando County Board of County Commissioners meeting held on June 16, 1992, the Board adopted Resolution No. 92-106 expressing opposition to the requested rate increase by Southern States Utilities, Inc. for the community of Spring Hill and Resolution No. 92-107 requesting the Public Service Commission to conduct public hearings within Hernando County on Southern States Utilities, Inc. rate increase request in order to give the public within Spring Hill a fair and reasonable opportunity to be heard.

Attached please find copies of Resolutions No. 92-106 and 92-107 verifying this actions.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES B. HETRICK County Administrator

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RESOLUTION NO.: 92-106

WHEREAS, SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES, INC., provides water and sewer service to the community of Spring Hill within Hernando County; and

WHEREAS, Spring Hill is one of the largest unincorporated communities within the State of Florida, consisting of approximately 52,056 residents and as such is entirely dependent upon the State of Florida Public Service Commission, to protect its residents in the regulation of water and sewer rates; and

WHEREAS, Spring Hill is currently paying substantial water and sewer rates; and

WHEREAS, SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES, INC., has filed its Petition with the Public Service Commission to increase water and sewer rates within the Community of Spring Hill by approximately thirty-five (35%) percent; and

WHEREAS, such a rate increase would work a financial hardship on residents of Spring Hill inasmuch as Spring Hill is a community with large numbers of retired citizens living on fixed incomes; and

WHEREAS, a thirty-five (35%) percent increase in water and sewer rates by SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES, INC. is not justified inasmuch as it does not meet the criteria set forth in Section 367.081(2)(a), Florida Statutes, for the reason that such a rate increase would not be just, reasonable, compensatory, and would otherwise be unfairly discriminating.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HERNANDO COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Hernando County hereby expresses its opposition to the requested rate increase by SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES, INC., for the community of Spring Hill.

SECTION 2. Hernando County hereby declares its belief that a thirty-five (35%) percent water and sewer rate increase for Spring Hill by SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES, INC. is unjustified.

SECTION 3. Hernando County hereby requests that Public Service Commission rejects the rate increase for Spring Hill requested by SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES.

ADOPTED this 16th day of June, 1992, A.D.

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

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RESOLUTION NO.: 92-107

WHEREAS, SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES, INC., provides water and sewer service to the community of Spring Hill within Hernando County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES, INC., has filed its Petition with the State of Florida Public Service Commission to increase its water and sewer rates by thirty-five (35%) percent; and

WHEREAS, the water and sewer rates of the Public Service Commission impact a population of approximately 52,056 residents of Hernando County; and

WHEREAS, the sizeable rate increase proposed by SOUTHERN STATES

UTILITIES, INC. would result in a substantial economic impact on the budgets of thousands of residents, many of whom are senior citizens living on fixed incomes or young married couples with children living on modest incomes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HERNANDO COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Public Service Commission is hereby officially requested to conduct public hearings within Hernando County on SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES, INC. rate increase request in order to give the public within Spring Hill a fair and reasonable opportunity to be heard on SOUTHERN STATES UTILITIES, INC. request.

ADOPTED this 16th day of June, 1992, A.D.

Attest:

KAREN NICOLAI

Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

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