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From: Sent: To: Subject: Betty Leland Friday, May 3, 2024 12:44 PM Commissioner Correspondence FW: Oppose sewer on LGI

Good Afternoon:

Please place this email in Docket #20240032.

Thanks.

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-----Original Message-----From: WILLIAM READ <billyray2@bellsouth.net> Sent: Friday, May 03, 2024 11:24 AM To: Office of Commissioner Graham <Commissioner.Graham@PSC.STATE.FL.US> Subject: Oppose sewer on LGI

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I have been coming to LGI since the late 60's and have seen many changes. I was finally able to purchase a cottage in 2016 from a family friend for what I believed was a reasonable price, but that was just the price for admission.

Repairing termite damage and updating the cottage was a significant expense, but expected. What wasn't expected was being forced to hook up to piped in water. Aside from the hook-up fees, the minimum monthly water bill is easily double that at my home in Stuart, FL which included irrigation! That is whether I use the cottage or not. Now we are being told we may be forced to hook-up to sewer.

My septic system has already been updated to modern, code approved standards, as has been most of my neighbors'. In my neighborhood along the south canal, the homes are primarily used one or two weekends per month. Mine, even less. I do not see a need to force us into another significant expense and disruption to our privacy and property. Many of us are barely hanging on. Please do not approve the proposal to install a sewer system on LGI.

Respectfully,

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