

ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida, has been advised that the continued use of certain irrigation systems in Walton County, Florida, has lowered the water level to the extent that the fresh water supply has become critically endangered, and

WHEREAS, the threat of saltwater contamination exists unless measures are taken to eliminate that danger, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has determined that prohibition of operation of any water system capable of pumping more than 15,000 gallons of water per hour, other than public water systems, when the potable water level of the upper Florida aquifer declines to mean sea level along the Choctawhatchee Bay or the Gulf of Mexico in Walton County, Florida, would correct this water shortage, and

WHEREAS, the enactment of this ordinance will protect the Health, Safety, and Welfare of citizens of Walton County, Florida.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Walton County, Florida, that the operation of any water system capable of pumping more than 15,000 gallons of water per hour other than public water systems when the potable water level of the upper Florida aquifer declines to mean sea level along the Choctawhatchee Bay or the Gulf of Mexico in Walton County, Florida, is prohibited.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that each violation of this ordinance shall constitute a misdemeanor.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED this 14th day of November, 1972.

Conley Martin
Conley Martin, Chairman

ATTEST:

Philip A. Anderson
Philip A. Anderson, Clerk