

STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

WHEREAS, TRACY J. CALHOUN, and LEO H. WILSON,
and HERMAN E. TURNER, and C. H. DOWNS,
and JOHN W. HARBOUR, landowners in a proposed soil conservation
district, who signed the petition to the State Soil Conservation Board re-
questing the creation of a soil conservation district, have presented to this
office an application, in the form required by law, for a certificate of organi-
zation of the Sarasota Soil Conservation District; and

WHEREAS, the said application was accompanied by a statement, from
the State Soil Conservation Board, in the form required by law; and

WHEREAS, the name proposed for the said district is not identical with
that of any other soil conservation district of this State, or so nearly similar
as to lead to confusion or uncertainty; and

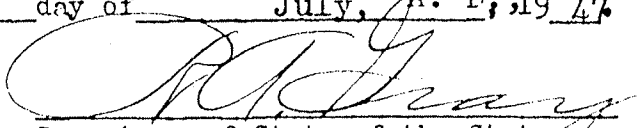
WHEREAS, the said application and statement have been made, filed and
recorded in this office as required by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby certified that the Sarasota Soil
Conservation District has been duly organized as a governmental subdivision of
this State and a public body corporate and politic.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these presents have been attested with the seal
and signed by the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, at

Tallahassee, the fourteenth day of July, A. D., 19 47.




Secretary of State of the State
of Florida.

Gainesville

Honorable R. A. Gray
Secretary of State
Tallahassee, Fla.

Dear Sir:

As required by the Florida Soil Conservation Districts Act, Chapter 18144, Acts of 1937, as amended by Chapter 19473, Acts of 1939, Section 5F (latest compiled statutes Chapter 582, Section 582.15), the State Soil Conservation Board takes pleasure in advising you, through the courtesy of five landowners who were signers of the original petition for the creation of a soil conservation district, as follows:

1. That a petition for the creation of a soil conservation district to include all lands lying within the boundaries of Sarasota County, Florida, was filed with the State Soil Conservation Board pursuant to the provisions of the Soil Conservation Districts Act;
2. That the official name proposed is the "Sarasota Soil Conservation District";
3. That the State Soil Conservation Board did carefully consider the petition and caused to be advertised and held a public hearing, as required by law, within the area of the proposed district;
4. That the Board, following the hearing, did conclude that there is need "in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare" for a soil conservation district in the proposed territory and described the territory to be included in the district as follows:
All lands lying within the legal boundaries of Sarasota County, Florida, except Township 39 S., Range 21 E., and Township 39 S., Range 22 E.
5. That notice was given and a referendum held within the area, as required by law, in which referendum a majority of votes were cast in favor of creating the district;
6. That following these several actions and deliberations, as required by law, the State Soil Conservation Board has now determined that the operation of the proposed Sarasota Soil Conservation District is administratively practicable and feasible, and determined the final boundaries as set forth in item 4 above.

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. Spivey
Administrator
State Soil Conservation Board

6/21/46-75-TKM
Agr. Ext. Svs.

Honorable R. A. Gray
Secretary of State
Florida

The undersigned being landowners in a proposed soil conservation district and having signed the petition submitted to the State Soil Conservation Board requesting the creation of a soil conservation district hereby petition you, as the Honorable Secretary of State of the State of Florida, to approve the name proposed for said soil conservation district more particularly described below, to issue a certificate of organization of the district and to make official record in your office of the issuance of such certificate, all as provided for in Section 5F of Chapter 18144, Acts of 1937, as amended by Chapter 19473, Acts of 1939 (latest compiled statutes Chapter 582, Section 582.15).

Your petitioners represent:

1. That a petition for the creation of a soil conservation district was filed with the State Soil Conservation Board, that proceedings required by the Act referred to have been taken to this date, pursuant to such petition and that this application is now being filed to complete the organization of the district;
2. The name proposed for said soil conservation district is: " Sarasota Soil Conservation District," the boundaries of which are described as follows: All lands lying within the legal boundaries of Sarasota County, Florida except Township 39 S., Range 21 E., and Township 39 S., Range 22 E
3. The location of the principal office of the supervisors of said Sarasota Soil Conservation District shall be in the city of Sarasota in the county of Sarasota, State of Florida.

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF SARASOTA

Before me a Notary Public in and for said County and State aforesaid appeared

Tracy J. Calhoun, Leo H.

Wilson, Herman E. Turner, C.H.

Downs & John W. Harbottle and personally known, who by me first being duly sworn depose and state that they have subscribed to the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

(Signed) Tracy J. Calhoun

(Signed) Leo H. Wilson

(Signed) Herman E. Turner

(Signed) John W. Harbottle

(Signed) John W. Harbottle

Betty K. Deere
Notary Public

(My commission expires 6/21/46-75)
Notary Public, State of Florida at Large.
My commission expires September 25, 1950.
Bonded by American Surety Co. of N. Y.

A certified copy of a resolution adopted by the State Soil Conservation Board, June 19, 1947, entitled:

A RESOLUTION DETERMINING AND DECLARING THAT THE OPERATION OF THE SARASOTA SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT IS ADMINISTRATIVELY PRACTICABLE AND FEASIBLE, AUTHORIZING AND INSTRUCTING ITS DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES TO PROCEED WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF THE DISTRICT AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE STATE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICTS ACT, CHAPTER 582, FLORIDA STATUTES OF 1941.

WHEREAS, the State Soil Conservation Board, through its duly authorized representatives, did receive a petition, signed by 35 or more owners of land, asking that a Soil Conservation District be authorized to function in the territory described in the petition, which petition set forth the proposed name of the district; that there is need for the district; a description of the territory to be organized as a district; a request that the State Soil Conservation Board duly define the boundaries for such district; that a referendum be held on the question of the creation of a Soil Conservation District; and that the Board determine that the district be created, and

WHEREAS, the State Soil Conservation Board did, within thirty days after such petition had been filed with said Board, cause due notice to be given of a proposed hearing upon the question of the desirability and necessity in the interest of public health, safety and welfare, of the creation of such district, upon the question of the appropriate boundaries to be assigned to such district, upon the propriety of the petition and other proceedings and upon all questions relevant to such inquiries and did hold such hearing, and

WHEREAS, after such hearing the Board did determine that there is need, in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare, for a soil conservation district to function in the territory considered at the hearing and did determine that the territory to be included in such district is all lands lying within the legal boundaries of Sarasota County, Florida, except Township 39 S., Range 21 E., and Township 39 S., Range 22 E.

and did determine that the name of said district shall be "Sarasota Soil Conservation District," and

WHEREAS, the State Soil Conservation Board, to assist it in determining the administrative practicability and feasibility of the said proposed Sarasota Soil Conservation District, did cause a referendum to be held within the proposed district upon the proposition of the creation of the district, the result of such referendum showing a substantial majority of votes cast for the creation of the district, and

WHEREAS, in view of the above related actions and happenings as provided by and in accordance with the Soil Conservation Districts Act, Chapter 582, Florida Statutes of 1941.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD IN SESSION THIS

June 19, 1947,

That the State Soil Conservation Board does hereby determine and declare that the operation of the Sarasota Soil Conservation District (approximate 328,960 acres), is administratively practicable and feasible and does hereby authorize and instruct its designated representatives to proceed with the organization of the district as provided for in the aforesaid State Soil Conservation Districts Act.

CERTIFICATE OF BOARD'S SECRETARY

I, J. T. Diamond, the duly elected, qualified and acting Secretary, State Soil Conservation Board of Florida, do hereby certify that the above is a true, correct and compared copy of a resolution adopted by the State Soil Conservation Board at a meeting held *18th of June, 1947* authorizing the establishment of the Sarasota Soil Conservation District as it is now recorded in the official records of the State Soil Conservation Board in its office, in Tallahassee, Florida.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Board this the *26th June 1947* (Date)

J. T. Diamond
Secretary, State Soil Conservation Board

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