RESOLUTION 16-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF AVON PARK, FLORIDA PROVIDING FOR DECLARING THE CITY'S APPRECIATION FOR FDOT'S EFFORTS TO CLEAN UP LOCAL LAKES THROUGH STATE ROAD STORMWATER DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, AND REQUESTING THAT THE FDOT PRIORITIZE EFFORTS FOR NEEDED DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS TO PROTECT AND RECOVER LAKE VERONA FROM ITS CURRENT CONDITION.

WHEREAS, the City recognizes, and appreciates the Florida Department of Transportation's ("FDOT") efforts thus far to work cooperatively with the City on the water quality concerns generated from runoff generated from Main Street; and,

WHEREAS, unfortunately, much remains to be accomplished in stormwater improvements for the City's Main Street, (State Road 64 East), as the water quality in Lake Verona continues to degrade, with an active algae bloom, because there is presently no stormwater retention on SR 64 E., and thus, all stormwater outfalls located on Main Street are discharging untreated runoff into Lake Verona, including bottles, cans, and nutrients such as phosphorus and nitrogen from the SR 64, E basin; and,

WHEREAS, The City with SWFWMD has invested over \$600,000 on the north end of the lake to contain stormwater runoff on the City roadway system to provide water treatment before water is either seeped or directly discharged into the lake; and,

WHEREAS, the City has remaining critical concerns over the health of Lake Verona continuing to degrade into future years, and the aesthetic qualities of the Lake that is across from City Hall, and thus is the showpiece of the City and reflects the interest the City in the local environment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF AVON PARK, FLORIDA, in a public meeting assembled this 28th day of March, 2016:

Because of the concerns discussed above, the City requests that FDOT add stormwater collection and treatment improvements for Main Street to its capital improvement plans for the near future, and prioritize those improvements to help save Lake Verona.

and caused it to be executed by the officers below on this this 28th day of March, 2016. The vote was: **Yes** <u>No</u> **Abstain Absent** Commissioner/Mayor Schuler Commissioner/Deputy Mayor Giles Commissioner Heston Commissioner Sutherland Commissioner Smith (Seal) **ATTEST:** CITY OF AVON PARK, FLORIDA By:_____ Sharon Schuler, Mayor Maria Sutherland, City Clerk APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Gerald Buhr, City Attorney

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Avon Park, Florida, has duly adopted this Resolution