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William Kutash  
Dredge & Fill Section  
DER - Southwest District  
7601 Highway 301 North  
Tampa, Florida 33610

Ralph Clark  
Division of Beaches & Shores  
Department of Natural Resources  
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard  
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

RE: Dredging and relocating Midnight Pass in  
Sarasota County

Dear Mr. Kutash and Mr. Clark:

I represent ManaSota-88, Inc., and other concerned citizens and residents. My clients oppose the proposed dredging and relocation of Midnight Pass for the following reasons:

1. It is unnecessary to relocate the Pass and less drastic measures can be utilized to protect the two houses on Siesta Key.

2. The relocation proposes activities which will utilize public properties and will result in the loss of publicly owned beaches and shores.

3. The proposed activity will detrimentally affect tidal flows in the Gulf and Little Sarasota Bay.

4. The proposed activity will increase erosion and require repeated future maintenance dredging and requests for structural alternations.

5. The current activity of Midnight Pass is part of a historical cyclic pattern of movement which should be left alone.

6. The proposed activity is contrary to the intent of Chapter 161, Fla.Stat.; Chapter 403, Fla.Stat. and the Sarasota County Coastal protection ordinance.

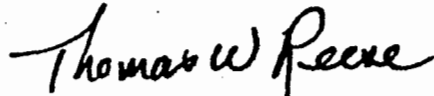
7. The proposed activity is clearly not an emergency.

8. The proposed activity is not in the public interest.

Mr. William Kutash  
Mr. Ralph Clark  
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Also, please notify me of any proposed DNR or DER agency action on this proposed activity.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas W. Reese". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Thomas W. Reese

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