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Mr. Daniel P. Clark, Town Administrator  
Town of Lake Clarke Shores  
1701 Barbados Road  
West Palm Beach, FL 33406

RE: *2015 Florida Boating Improvement Program (FBIP) Grant Application  
for Lake Clarke Shores Boat Ramp Park Improvements*

Dear Mr. Clark:

The 1,300 member West Palm Beach Fishing Club is pleased to support the Town of Lake Clarke Shores Florida Boating Improvement Program grant application requesting funding from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for improvements to the Lake Clarke Shores Boat Ramp.

This proposed project would improve the safety, security and accessibility for the boating public, including improvements for handicapped individuals. The proposed improvements will accommodate both motorized and non-motorized vessels like kayaks, canoes and sailboats. The proposed staging dock extensions will be especially helpful to users during periods of heavy use.

Lake Clarke is part of a chain of freshwater lakes along the C-51 and E-4 canal systems that are popular with the recreational boating and fishing community. Improvements to Lake Clarke Shores Boat Ramp Park will help satisfy not only a local municipal need, but also a countywide need for additional boating facility improvements. There are currently over 37,000 registered vessels in Palm Beach County. Demand for facilities like this is only expected to increase in the future. The positive economic impact of boating is well documented.

The Lake Clarke Shores Boat Ramp Park improvement project has the full support of the West Palm Beach Fishing Club.

Sincerely,

Tom Twyford  
President

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