RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REQUEST TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES FOR GULF OF MEXICO ENERGY SECURITY ACT OF 2006 (GOMESA) FUNDING TO BE UTILIZED FOR PHASE 1 DIAMONDHEADHEAD DRAINAGE, FLOOD PREVENTION AND WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT.

WHEREAS, the City of Diamondhead (the "City") has identified a need to improve public access to waterways for its residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City is eligible to received funding under the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security of 2006, Public Law 109-431 ("GOMESA") grant program, which has been established to aid in coastal protection, including conservation, coastal restoration and infrastructure directly affected by coastal wetland losses; and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (the "MDMR") serves as the administrator of the GOMESA grant program, has informed the City of funding opportunities; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to request GOMESA funding for drainage infrastructure improvements, wetland restoration and improve detention facilities for future watershed events; and

WHEREAS, the City, if awarded GOMESA Funding for its Phase 1 Diamondhead Drainage, Flood Prevention, and Water Quality Improvement Project, would be required to provide \$0 match funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI, THAT:

SECTION ONE: The statements, findings, determinations, and conclusions contained in the preamble of this resolution are hereby adopted, ratified and incorporated therein.

SECTION TWO: The City Manager, is hereby authorized to request GOMESA Funding and submit all required information to the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources for Phase 1 Diamondhead Drainage, Flood Prevention, and Water Quality Improvement Project.

SECTION THREE: The City Manager is hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution and to provide any information to the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources in order to complete its review of the GOMESA Application.

SECTION FOUR: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after adoption.

The above and foregoing resolution, after having been first reduced to writing, was introduced by Councilmember ______, seconded by Councilmember ______ and the question being put to a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

	Aye	Nay	Absent
Councilmember Finley			
Councilmember Moran			
Councilmember Sheppard			
Councilmember Clark			
Councilmember Maher			
Mayor Depreo			

The motion having received the affirmative vote of a majority of all of the members of the Governing Body, the Mayor declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted, this the _____ day of _____, 2021.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

(SEAL)