

July 3, 2006

Doug Coward, Chairman
St. Lucie Board of County Commissioners
2300 Virginia Avenue
Fort Pierce, FL 34982

RE: Rural Lands Stewardship Program

Dear Chairman Coward:

I am writing to express my support of the Adams Ranch Stewardship Program being proposed in St. Lucie County.

As a long time resident of St. Lucie County, I believe the Stewardship Program will provide long lasting benefits to St. Lucie County. I am in support of maintaining the agricultural character of St. Lucie County and keeping cattle farmers and citrus growers such as Bud Adams in business for the next 100 years. The Stewardship program will help to preserve agriculture in the county, let farmers keep farming, help the agricultural economy, protect land and open space, and keep the preserved land on the tax rolls in St. Lucie County.

Thank you for helping to preserve rural lands and providing a way for the Adams family to continue their cattle ranching operations and stewarding their land for future generations.

Sincerely,


JANE ROWLEY

cc: Commissioner Chris Craft
Commissioner Frannie Hutchinson
Commissioner Paula Lewis
Commissioner Joseph Smith
Doug Anderson, SLC Administrator
Bob Nix, SLC Growth Management Director
Alto "Bud" Adams, Jr.



SENATOR JD ALEXANDER
17th District

July 20, 2006

Doug Coward, Chairman
St. Lucie County Commission
2300 Virginia Ave
Ft. Pierce, FL 34982

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Dear Chairman Coward:

It is my pleasure to offer this letter of support for the Rural Lands Stewardship Program being proposed for Adams Ranch and Cloud Grove in St. Lucie County. I commend their past and present efforts in working to preserve 12,000 acres of ranch land in St. Lucie County, and their desire to preserve Florida's working ranches and wildlife.

Programs such as these that agriculture producers enter into voluntarily have always had my support, and it is my hopes that the St. Lucie County Commission take the necessary steps to establish and help to maintain the stewardship program for the future of not only St. Lucie County, but the entire State of Florida.

Again, I want to express my support of the Rural Lands Stewardship program offered by Adams Ranch and Cloud Grove, and would like to thank you in advance for your support as well.

Sincerely,

JD Alexander
Senator, District 17

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