

STATE OF ALABAMA)
COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

**RESOLUTION #2026-115
OF THE
BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION**

RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE PRIOR TRANSFER OF A COUNTY-OWNED PORTION OF THE ROADWAY NOW DESIGNATED AS STATE ROUTE 161 TO THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PROVIDING FOR CONTINUED LOCAL RECOGNITION OF THE NAME “BALDWIN BEACH EXPRESS” WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF BALDWIN COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Commission (“County”) previously owned a portion of the roadway commonly known as the Baldwin Beach Express, together with associated right-of-way, extending from its intersection with the Foley-Beach Express to County Road 68; and

WHEREAS, the County previously approved the transfer of its portion of the Baldwin Beach Express to the Alabama Department of Transportation (“ALDOT”), and such transfer has been completed in accordance with applicable law; and

WHEREAS, following ALDOT’s acquisition and integration of the corridor into the state highway system, the roadway is now officially designated as State Route 161 (SR 161); and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Commission recognizes that the name “Baldwin Beach Express” has long-standing historical, geographic, and economic significance to the County and the surrounding region; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to formally acknowledge that, notwithstanding the official state highway designation of State Route 161, the portion of the roadway located within the unincorporated areas of Baldwin County shall continue to be locally recognized as the Baldwin Beach Express; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, as follows:

SECTION 1. The County hereby acknowledges and affirms the prior approval and completed transfer of the County’s portion of the roadway now designated as State Route 161 to ALDOT.

SECTION 2. The County hereby declares that the portion of State Route 161 located within the unincorporated areas of Baldwin County shall continue to be locally recognized and referenced as the Baldwin Beach Express for historical, geographic, and community identification purposes.

SECTION 3. Nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to alter, amend, or conflict with the official designation of the roadway as State Route 161 as established by ALDOT.

SECTION 4. The officers and employees of the County are authorized to use the name “Baldwin Beach Express” in County communications, mapping, wayfinding, and informational materials when referring to the portion of State Route 161 located within the unincorporated areas of Baldwin County, as appropriate.

SECTION 5. Nothing herein shall be construed to require or authorize the placement or modification of official highway signage under the jurisdiction of ALDOT.

SECTION 6. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

DONE, under the Seal of Baldwin County, Alabama, as affixed on this the ____ day of _____ 2026.

Commissioner James E. Ball, Chairman

ATTEST:

Roger H. Rendleman, County Administrator