

**Resolution # 99-04**  
**TOBACCO PRODUCTS PLACEMENT RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has enacted laws, located in Chapter 569, Florida Statutes, that provide for increased regulation of the retail sale of tobacco products; and**

**WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has, in Chapter 569, provided for civil, administrative, and / or criminal penalties for the sale of tobacco products to an underage person and for the possession of such tobacco products by an underage person; and**

**WHEREAS, the State of Florida has entered into a settlement with the tobacco industry for billions of dollars to reimburse the state for some of the health care costs incurred by the state due to the prevalence of tobacco use; and**

**WHEREAS, the settlement between the State of Florida and the tobacco industry provides for a Pilot Program which is aimed specifically at the reduction of the use of tobacco by underage person; and**

**WHEREAS, the government and residents of Liberty County are also concerned about the use of tobacco products by underage persons; and**

**WHEREAS, a reduction in the availability, both visually and physically, of tobacco products to underage persons will likely lead to a reduction in tobacco product use by them.**

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED BY THE LIBERTY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THAT: it supports the placement of all tobacco products "behind the counter" in all retail establishments so as to limit underage accessibility to such products.**

**Adopted this 4th day of February, 1999.**

  
**John T. Sanders, Chairman**

**Attest:**

  
**Vernon Ross, Clerk of Court**