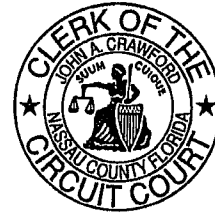




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May 30, 2008

Via Interoffice

Honorable Marianne Marshall, Chairman
Nassau County Board of County Commissioners
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Dear Chairman Marshall:

Please accept this letter as the official budget transfer request of the Constitutional Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court/Comptroller for fiscal year 08/09.

The estimated budget for the Clerk's General Fund is established for FY 08/09 at \$3,868,413. The Board of County Commissioners' budget transfer amount requested for FY 08/09 is \$2,348,517 an increase of \$708,452. To lessen the burden on Nassau County's property taxpayers, the remainder of the Clerk's General Fund budget above the \$2,348,517 is raised by the Office of the Clerk of Court/Comptroller pursuant to the fee system authorized under Chapter 28, Florida Statutes.

The increase required in the FY 08/09 Board transfer over FY 07/08 results from the decrease in Revenues other than the BOCC transfer, such as recording fees, banking interest, impact fees, etc. for a total loss in revenues of \$708,452. The economic downturn has had a negative impact on the Clerk's Office ability to raise sufficient revenues to support its operations for the coming year, even though the overall budget reflects a zero increase.

As you may know, the court-related (Article V) budget is funded and approved by separate authority. Please let us know if we can provide any additional information or assistance to you.

Respectfully,


John A. Crawford
Clerk of the Circuit Court/Comptroller