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A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to the Tice Fire Protection and Rescue Service District, Lee County; providing 3 4 legislative intent; codifying, reenacting, and amending all prior special acts relating to the Tice Fire Protection and Rescue Service District; creating and establishing a fire control and rescue district as an independent district in Lee County and fixing the boundaries of the district; providing for a 10 11 governing body; prescribing the powers of the 12 board; authorizing the board to establish and 13 maintain emergency medical services and 14 equipment; authorizing the board to make 15 policies, rules, regulations, and a fire code; 16 providing for the assessment and collection of taxes, assessments, impact fees, and user 17 charges; providing that this act shall be 18 construed liberally; providing for 19 20 severability; providing for the repeal of chapters 76-410, 79-498, 81-414, 83-446, 21 83-454, 87-447, 88-545, and 93-396, Laws of 22 Florida, as said laws relate to the district; 23 24 providing for control in the event of a 25 conflict of provisions; providing an effective 26 date. 27 28 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 29 30 Pursuant to section 191.015, Florida Section 1.

acts relating to the Tice Fire Protection and Rescue Service 1 2 District. It is the intent of the Legislature to provide a 3 single, comprehensive special act charter for the Tice Fire Protection and Rescue Service District which includes all 4 5 current legislative authority granted to the district by 6 general law and by its several legislative enactments, as said 7 laws may be amended from time to time, and any additional 8 authority granted by this act. 9 Section 2. Chapters 76-410, 79-498, 81-414, 83-446, 83-454, 87-447, 88-545, and 93-396, Laws of Florida, relating 10 11 to the Tice Fire Protection and Rescue Service District, are 12 hereby codified, reenacted, and amended as provided herein. 13 Section 3. The Tice Fire Protection and Rescue Service 14 District is re-created, and the charter for such district is re-created and reenacted to read: 15 Section 1. Creation. -- There is hereby made, created, 16 and established the Tice Fire Protection and Rescue Service 17 District, an independent special district, hereinafter 18 19 referred to as the district, through the codification and 20 reenactment of the district's several legislative enactments, which shall include the following described lands: 21 22 Beginning at the Northwest corner of Section 3, 23 24 Township 44 South, Range 26 East; thence 25 Southerly along West line of Section 3 to 26 Southwest corner; thence Easterly along the 27 section line to Southeast corner of Section 3; 28 thence Southerly along the East section line of 29 Section 10 to the Southeast corner; thence East along North section line of Section 14 to a 30

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Section 14; thence Southerly along said North-South 1/4 section line to the North section line of Section 23; thence West along the South section lines of Sections 14, 15 and 16 to the Southwest corner of Section 16; thence Southerly along the East section line of Section 20 to its intersection with the centerline of Buckingham Road; thence Westerly along centerline of Buckingham Road to point of intersection with North-South 1/4 line of Section 19; thence Southerly along North-South 1/4 section line of Sections 19 and 30 to point of intersection with centerline of S.R. 82; thence Westerly along said centerline to point of intersection with East line of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 25 East; thence Southerly along East line of Sections 25 and 36; thence West along the South line of Sections 36 and 35; thence Northerly on the section line between Sections 35 and 34 to the Northeast corner of Section 34; thence westerly along the North line of Sections 34 and 33 to point of intersection of the centerline of Colonial Boulevard extended; thence Southwesterly along said centerline to Easterly limits of the City of Fort Myers; thence Northerly following the Easterly limits of the City of Fort Myers to point of intersection with the South shoreline of the Caloosahatchee River; thence Northeasterly along the South shoreline of the Caloosahatchee River to a

1 point of intersection with West shoreline of 2 the Orange River; thence Southeasterly along 3 said shoreline of the Orange River to a point where said shoreline intersects the North 4 5 Section line of Section 5, Range 26 East, Township 44 South; thence East on North section 6 7 lines of Sections 5 and 4 to point of 8 beginning; in addition that portion of Sections 9 14, 22, 21 and 28, Range 26 East, Township 44 10 South, not lying in or being part of the Lehigh Acres Fire Control and Rescue District, except 11 12 all properties located within the Lehigh Acres 13 Fire Control and Rescue District, and less and 14 except that portion of all the above described 15 lands located within the municipal boundaries 16 of the City of Fort Myers.

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Section 2. Governing body.--The district shall be governed by a board which shall consist of five (5) resident electors of the district elected by a vote of the electors of the district pursuant to the laws of Florida, as said laws may be amended from time to time.

Section 3. Officers; powers.--Within sixty (60) days after the election of members of the board, the members shall meet and elect from the membership a chair, a vice-chair, a secretary, and a treasurer; provided, however, the same member may be both secretary and treasurer. The district shall have and the board may exercise those general and special powers prescribed by chapter 191, Florida Statutes, chapter 97-340, Laws of Florida, or any other applicable general law or special law, as said laws may be amended from time to time.

1 Section 4. Emergency medical and rescue response services. -- The district is authorized to establish and 2 maintain emergency medical and rescue response services and 3 4 acquire and maintain rescue, medical, transport, and other 5 emergency equipment as prescribed by general law and special 6 law, as said laws may be amended from time to time. 7 Section 5. Policies, rules and regulations, and fire 8 code. -- The board is authorized to make and adopt policies, rules, regulations, and a fire code for the prevention of 9 fires, for fire control, and for the provision of rescue 10 services within the district. Such policies, rules, 11 12 regulations, and fire code shall be adopted in accordance with 13 applicable general law and special law, as said laws may be 14 amended from time to time. 15 Section 6. Taxes; Non-ad valorem assessments; Impact 16 fees; User charges. -- The district board shall fix and cause to be levied on all property of the district, a millage 17 sufficient to meet the requirements of the adopted budget; 18 19 provided, however, three (3) mills is the maximum that can be 20 levied in any one (1) year, except as provided in chapter 191, Florida Statutes, chapter 97-340, Laws of Florida, or any 21 other applicable general law or special law, as said laws may 22 be amended from time to time. In addition, the district shall 23 have such authority to levy non-ad valorem assessments and 24 25 charge impact fees and user charges as prescribed in chapter 26 191, Florida Statutes, chapter 97-340, Laws of Florida, and any other applicable general law or special law, as said laws 27 28 may be amended from time to time. 29 Section 7. Assessment and collection of taxes, assessments, impact fees, and user charges. -- Taxes, 30 assessments, impact fees, and user charges herein provided for

shall be assessed and collected in the manner prescribed by 1 applicable general law or special law, as said laws may be 2 3 amended from time to time. 4 Section 4. This act shall be construed as a remedial 5 act and shall be liberally construed to promote the purpose 6 for which it is intended which is a codification, reenactment, 7 and repeal of the several legislative enactments of the Tice 8 Fire Protection and Rescue Service District. 9 Section 5. If any clause, section, or provision of this act is declared unconstitutional, unenforceable, or 10 invalid for any cause or reason, it shall be eliminated from 11 12 this act and the remaining portion of the act shall remain in 13 full force and effect as if said unconstitutional, 14 unenforceable, or invalid portion had not been incorporated 15 herein. 16 Section 6. Except as specifically reenacted herein, chapters 76-410, 79-498, 81-414, 83-446, 83-454, 87-447, 17 88-545, and 93-396, Laws of Florida, as said laws relate to 18 19 the Tice Fire Protection and Rescue Service District, are 20 repealed. Section 7. In the event of a conflict of the 21 22 provisions of this act with the provisions of any other act, the provisions of this act shall control to the extent of such 23 conflict. 24 Section 8. This act shall take effect upon becoming a 25 26 law. 27 28 29

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