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## **Bill to Make Water Control District Subject to City of Coral Springs will go to Full Legislative Delegation**

Margate, FL March 6, 2006 – Since the Special Commission Meeting on January 11, 2006 the City of Margate has been actively pursuing a remedy to a problem brought to light by residents from the Town Homes of Oriole. After Hurricane Wilma many downed trees located on canals have not been cleaned up by the canal owner, the Sunshine Water Control District. The city has been informed that this problem affects many of the residents along the canals owned by the Sunshine Water Control District. At the special meeting, the City Commission unanimously agreed to file a special local bill which would provide that the independent district would be subject to Coral Springs law.

This bill was recently drafted by Representative Ron Greenstein on behalf of the City of Margate. Margate City Attorney Gene Steinfeld commented that the bill was drafted, “In light of the failure of Sunshine Water Control district to take any responsibility for the trees that fell on Margate private property within the city along its western boundary after Hurricane Wilma.”

After a hearing on Friday March 3, 2006 the subcommittee, established by the Chair of the Broward County Legislative Delegation, voted unanimously to recommend the bill which puts the Sunshine Water Control District under the control of City of Coral Springs.

The next step will be a vote by the Full Broward Legislative Delegation, passage of a law by the Legislature, followed by consideration of the Governor of Florida.

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