



## **CANAVERAL PORT AUTHORITY 2022 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES**

The Canaveral Port Authority legislative priorities outline a pathway for effecting meaningful policy and promoting strategic appropriations initiatives that align with the Port's mission and which may benefit the Port, its partners and stakeholders, and the surrounding communities which rely upon the economic success of the Port.

### **Infrastructure:**

- Continue to advocate for legislative and administration support for replacement of State Road 401 bridge.
- Monitor and engage with FDOT to support the efficient completion of the long-planned project improvements to State Road 528, which is vital for the continued growth and economic vitality of the region.
- Urge the legislature to provide robust funding for the FDOT Work Program for fiscal year 2022-23.

### **Port Safety and Security:**

- Support and advocate for robust funding of Port Security Grants.
- Support efforts at the state and local levels to recognize Port Canaveral (along with our sister seaports around the state) as critical infrastructure.
- Monitor and engage on efforts to protect Port infrastructure with legislative action related to the private or commercial use of drones.

### **Seaport Resiliency:**

- Advocate for legislative and administrative support to provide seaports with access to robust funding to improve seaport resiliency to natural disasters, sea level rise and other vulnerabilities which threaten the operations and assets of these critical infrastructures.

### **Environment:**

- Monitor and engage in legislative efforts related to improving the long-term sustainability and health of the Indian River Lagoon.
- Support state sponsored mitigation programs to improve Indian River Lagoon water quality and advocate for timely implementation as a component of the efficient completion of the SR 528 and SR 401 projects.

### **Space:**

- Continue coordination with space partners and industry leaders to support the growth of the commercial space enterprise in the region.

### **Tourism:**

- Support the tourism and cruise industry promotion efforts of Visit Florida and advocate in partnership with stakeholders and leaders from throughout the state for the restoration of adequate recurring funding for the agency.

### **Planning & Development:**

- Monitor and engage on any legislation related to the Port's home rule powers granted in its charter.