

## **GOVERNOR CRIST SIGNS COMMUNITY RECOVERY ACT**

Governor Crist's signing of Senate Bill 360 into law is a great accomplishment for all Floridians. This bill achieves the rare feat of relaxing the levels of duplicate regulation on development, without affecting or diminishing the regulations protecting our environment and without the affecting or changing the land uses permitted anywhere in our great state. Development and building are the most over-regulated industries in Florida today, and the easing of duplicate regulations will help bring the costs of housing more in line with today's lower market values. This act, the first major correction to the failed growth management laws of the 1980s, will further act as a stimulus to commercial and industrial construction, and the creation of new jobs to replace those lost in our new economy. This law is a credit to Senator Mike Bennett, Representative Dean Cannon, and Governor Crist, who were all able to look past the media reports to see what this law actually does, and how it will benefit all our citizens.