Let us start by using the Lyapunov function L = I. L = 0 when (S, I) = (1, 0). Since  $R_0 \le 1$  we can conclude that  $\beta \le \gamma + \mu$  or  $\beta - \gamma - \mu \le 0$ . Calculating  $\dot{L}$  we have:

$$\begin{split} \dot{L} &= \frac{dL}{dI}\frac{dI}{dt} + \frac{dL}{dS}\frac{dS}{dt} \\ &= \beta SI - \gamma I - \mu I + \mu I - \beta SI^2 - \mu SI \\ &= I(\beta S - \gamma - \mu S - \beta SI) \\ &\leq I(\beta S - \gamma S - \mu S - \beta SI) \\ &= I[S(\beta - \gamma - \mu) - \beta SI] \\ &< 0 \forall S, I \in (0,1) \end{split}$$

L(1,0)=0 and  $\dot{L}<0$   $\forall S,I\in(0,1)$ . Hence, L is negative definite on the interval (0,1). L is therefore a strict Lyapunov function for the DFE on the entire biologically relevant space, which implies that the DFE is globally asymptotically stable.