

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE AND CITYWIDE PROJECTS COMMITTEE AND AUTHORIZING A) THE ALLOCATION OF \$500,000 OF SHORT-TERM RENTAL FINE COLLECTIONS IN TWO EQUAL ANNUAL AMOUNTS OF \$250,000 FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND HOMELESS SERVICES IN THE CITY, AND B) THE ALLOCATION OF A PORTION OF THE CITY'S INCREASED RESORT TAX COLLECTIONS, STARTING IN FISCAL YEAR 2021/22, UP TO THE CITY'S PER CAPITA SHARE OF \$1,976,215, AS AMENDED FOR POPULATION CHANGES AND CHANGES IN COLLECTIONS OF THE FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX BY THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HOMELESS TRUST, TO FURTHER SUPPORT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND HOMELESS SERVICES IN OUR CITY, WITH FUNDS TO BE APPROPRIATED THROUGH THE ANNUAL BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PROCESS EACH YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commission referred to the April 19, 2019 meeting of the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee (FCWPC) a discussion on a variety of items associated with homeless and domestic violence services including:

1. The need to monitor the State Legislative session for possible preemption issues;
2. Approving a resolution urging the State to include additional funds in the State budget to address homelessness; and
3. Looking for other funding sources to support homeless and domestic violence efforts such as the one-time short-term rental fines collected by the City; and

WHEREAS, as reported at the FCWPC meeting on April 19, 2019, the Administration has directed staff and the City's lobbying team to monitor the State Legislative session for possible preemption issues as well as the exploration of additional funds for homeless and domestic violence issues within the State budget process; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Homeless Trust (Homeless Trust) receives approximately \$57,762,000 from Miami-Dade County Food and Beverage Tax collections that support domestic violence and homeless services countywide; and

WHEREAS, based on a countywide population of 2,743,095 (Source: 2017 MDC CAFR), Homeless Trust collections amount to approximately \$21.50 per capita; and

WHEREAS, while the bulk of funds collected by the Homeless Trust are expended to support efforts to address homelessness, a portion of funds are committed to supporting the efforts of the Domestic Violence Oversight Board. Fifteen percent

(15%) of the current Food and Beverage Tax collections are earmarked for domestic violence services; and

WHEREAS, the City and Trust agree that homelessness and domestic violence are not compatible with the community we wish to have; and

WHEREAS, based on current Homeless Trust per capita collections, the City's equitable share would be based on its population of 91,917 residents multiplied by the \$21.50 per capita cost; this amounts to a contribution of \$1,976,215 to support homeless and domestic violence services and dedicating 15% of this amount to domestic violence yields a value of \$3.23 per capita or an equivalent amount of \$296,432; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach FY 2018/19 budget reflects expenditures of \$3,351,940 for Homeless and Domestic Violence Services; and

WHEREAS, despite the fact that these amounts are in excess of an equivalent funding per capita by the rest of Miami-Dade County, the Administration recommends providing additional funding for the Homeless Trust and, in particular, for domestic violence services; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2016-29684, which was passed and adopted by the City Commission on December 14, 2016, accepted a recommendation of the FCWPC to direct the Administration to create one or more funds for homeless services and affordable/workforce housing initiatives to be funded from collected short-term rental violation fines; and

WHEREAS, the Administration thereafter implemented a formula whereby the initial \$200,000 in collected short-term rental fines was to be used to fund homeless services and all funds collected thereafter would be distributed with twenty percent (20%) set aside for homeless services and eighty percent (80%) to address affordable/workforce housing needs; and

WHEREAS, the City has, thus far, collected \$512,750 in Short Term Rental Fines since FY 16/17; and

WHEREAS, the FCWPC is supportive of dedicating funds to supporting these needed services; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on April 19, 2019, the FCWPC discussed that the balance of needed per capita funds can be achieved through continued growth in existing Resort Tax funds (especially when both the Convention Center and Convention Center Hotel are fully operational); and

WHEREAS, the FCWPC also recommended utilizing \$500,000 from the existing short-term rental fine collections to make two annual commitments of \$250,000 to support enhanced domestic violence and homeless services in our City; and

WHEREAS, the FCWPC further recommended that the City dedicate a portion of its increased Resort Tax collections, up to the City's per capita share of \$1,976,215, as amended for population changes and changes in collections of Tourist Development Tax by the Homeless Trust, to further support domestic violence and homeless services in our City; and

WHEREAS, the FCWPC requested that funding for homeless services and domestic violence be discussed as part of the Commission budget retreat.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby accept the recommendations of the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee and authorize a) the allocation of \$500,000 of short-term rental fine collections in two equal annual amounts of \$250,000 for domestic violence and homeless services in the City's FY 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 budgets, and b) the allocation of a portion of the City's increased Resort Tax collections, starting in Fiscal Year 2021/2022, up to the City's per capita share of \$1,976,215, as amended for population changes and changes in collections of the Food and Beverage Tax by the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust to further support domestic violence and homeless services in our City, with funds to be appropriated through the annual Budget development process each year.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of May, 2019.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

Rafael E. Granado
City Attorney

4-30-19
Date