

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD/COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, AT ITS JULY 23, 2019 MEETING, TO APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE NEAR THE 3<sup>rd</sup> STREET BEACH ACCESS POINT AND ADJACENT TO MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS OCEAN BEACH PARK IN HONOR OF MARIAN DEL VECCHIO, AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR SEPTEMBER 11, 2019 PURSUANT TO SECTION 82-504 OF THE CITY CODE TO CONSIDER THE INSTALLATION OF THE COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE, AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO PUBLISH THE APPROPRIATE PUBLIC NOTICE.

**WHEREAS**, Marian Del Vecchio, a political cartoonist and long-time Miami Beach activist, passed away on June 15, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, originally from the former nation of Czechoslovakia, Marian Del Vecchio migrated to England in 1938, and subsequently fled from London to Brazil, and finally settled in New York; and

**WHEREAS**, her cartoons were regularly featured under the section "A Different View" for the Miami Herald, from 2000 to 2005, and her drawings were also featured at a recent exhibit by the Miami Design Preservation League at the Art Deco Museum; and

**WHEREAS**, at the June 26, 2019 Presentation and Awards Commission meeting, the Mayor and City Commission referred a discussion regarding a commemorative plaque in remembrance of Marian Del Vecchio to the Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee ("NCAC"); and

**WHEREAS**, the NCAC issued a favorable recommendation at its July 23, 2019 meeting, which recommended the installation of a commemorative plaque in honor of Marian Del Vecchio; and

**WHEREAS**, recognizing Marian Del Vecchio's civic contributions (See Exhibit A), the proposed location for the commemorative plaque would be the beach walk extension between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Street, which is adjacent to Marjory Stoneman Douglas Ocean Beach Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed language for the plaque will read, "In memory of Marian Del Vecchio (1935-2019)", and the estimated cost of the design, fabrication, and installation of the stainless-steel plaque would be \$1000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 82-504 of the City Code sets forth the process for the installation of monuments and memorials, and the Mayor and City Commission are

required to hold a public hearing prior to final approval of the commemorative plaque;  
and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA**, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby accept the recommendation of the Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee, at its July 23, 2019 meeting, to approve the installation of a commemorative plaque near the 3<sup>rd</sup> Street beach access point and adjacent to Marjory Stoneman Douglas Ocean Beach Park in honor of Marian Del Vecchio and hereby set a public hearing for September 11, 2019 pursuant to Section 82-504 of the City Code to consider the installation of the commemorative plaque, and direct the City Clerk to publish the appropriate public notice.


**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 31<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2019.

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Dan Gelber, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION

  
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City Attorney  
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7/24/19  
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