

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE DISTRIBUTION OF FLU VACCINES TO MIAMI BEACH YOUTH RESIDENTS DURING THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR THROUGH A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH BORINQUEN HEALTH CENTERS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000, SUBJECT TO THE CITY COMMISSION APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS; AND FURTHER, APPROVING THE DISTRIBUTION OF FLU VACCINES EACH SUBSEQUENT SCHOOL YEAR, SUBJECT TO AND CONDITIONED UPON THE CITY COMMISSION'S APPROPRIATION OF FUNDING FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT YEAR, AT A COST TO THE CITY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000 ANNUALLY; AND FURTHER, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE ANY AGREEMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE DISTRIBUTION OF FLU VACCINES.

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2020, the City entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Borinquen Health Services to provide for funding and implementation of a Flu Shot Program at Miami Beach public schools with additional support from partnership with The Children's Trust; and

WHEREAS, the program was funded through the general fund at a cost of \$15,000 and a term of March 1, 2020 to October 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, at the October 14, 2020 Commission Meeting, in light of the closure of public schools and the public health concern of the COVID-19 pandemic, the City Commission approved amending the original MOU to use remaining allocated funds to expand the flu shot program to extend to all Miami Beach youth residents under the age of 18, with flu shots administered at City parks or recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2020, the term of the agreement was extended to March 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City's efforts in 2020-21 resulted in 201 youth receiving the flu vaccine; and

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) the best way to prevent flu is with the seasonal flu vaccine and thus the CDC recommends that everyone 6 months and older get a seasonal flu vaccine each year by the end of October; and

WHEREAS, as long as flu viruses are circulating, vaccination should continue throughout flu season, even in January or later; and

WHEREAS, the CDC cautions that the seasonal flu is still of grave concern; though reports of influenza-like illness (ILI) for 2020-21 were lower than average, ILI surveillance has been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and should be interpreted with caution; and

WHEREAS, precautions taken to guard against the spread of COVID-19 likely helped stem the transmission of seasonal flu; therefore relaxation of these precautions will likely see an increase in transmission of seasonal flu; and

WHEREAS, given the ongoing public health concerns of the seasonal flu in tandem with the COVID-19 pandemic, the City acknowledges the continued need to ensure that all resident youth who, with parent permission, wish to receive a flu shot, can do so at no cost; and

WHEREAS, as such, the City Administration recommends that the City of Miami Beach, funds a program for Miami Beach youth residents to receive flu vaccines during the 2021-2022 through a Memorandum of Understanding with Borinquen Health Centers school year, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 annually, and further recommends that the City Commission authorize the distribution of flu vaccines to Miami Beach youth residents for each subsequent fiscal year, and authorize the City Manager to execute any and all documents or agreements in connection with the program, at a cost not to exceed \$15,000 annually.

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 approve the distribution of flu vaccines to Miami Beach youth residents during the 2021-22 School year through a Memorandum of Understanding with Borinquen Health Centers, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000, subject to the City Commission appropriating the funds; and further, approve the distribution of flu vaccines each subsequent school year, subject to and conditioned upon the City Commission's appropriation of funding for each subsequent year, at a cost to the City in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 annually; and further, authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute any agreements necessary to effectuate the distribution of flu vaccines.

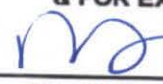
PASSED and ADOPTED this ____ day of July, 2021.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(sponsored by Commissioner Mark Samuelian)

**APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION**


City Attorney
 7-23-21

Date