

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH TO ACCEPT A DONATION IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$50,000 FROM ART BASEL FOR THE CITY'S SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, ARTS, AND MATHEMATICS (STEAM) PLUS PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR HER DESIGNEE, TO MAKE SUCH EXPENDITURES OR REIMBURSEMENTS CONSISTENT WITH THE AFORESTATED INITIATIVE AND ITS PURPOSE.

WHEREAS, in January 2008, the City of Miami Beach, Florida ("City") entered into an Education Compact with Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) to enhance learning opportunities for youth; and

WHEREAS, the Education Compact reflects the desire of the Miami Beach community to support excellence in the City's public schools; and

WHEREAS, the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics ("STEM") to Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics ("STEAM") movement has been taking root over the past several years and is surging forward as a positive model of action to truly meet the needs of a 21st century economy; and

WHEREAS, STEAM is an educational approach to learning that uses Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics as access points for guiding student inquiry, dialogue, and critical thinking; and

WHEREAS, the end results of the STEAM education approach are students who take thoughtful risks, engage in experimental learning, persist in problem-solving, embrace collaboration, and work through the creative process; and

WHEREAS, on January 16, 2019 the Mayor and the City Commission adopted Resolution No. 2019-30690, authorizing the City Manager and City Clerk to execute a grant agreement with the Friends of the Bass Museum, Inc., for the implementation of a Beta Test for a Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) Plus program with Miami Beach public schools (kindergarten - 12th grade) and local cultural institutions; and

WHEREAS, the "Plus" component of the STEAM Plus initiative is the City's pilot program to promote career and college readiness; and

WHEREAS, the City's STEAM Plus program is continuously employed today and has expanded to seven (7) Miami Beach public schools and fourteen (14) cultural institutions; and

WHEREAS, Art Basel, a for-profit international art fair, has graciously donated \$50,000 to the City, with the funds to be used to support the City's STEAM Plus program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA that the Mayor and City Commission hereby approve and authorize the City of Miami Beach to accept a donation in the total amount of \$50,000 from Art Basel for the City's Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, And Mathematics (STEAM) Plus Program; and authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to make such expenditures or reimbursements consistent with the aforestated initiative and its purpose.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of February, 2023.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Mayor Dan Gelber)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney 

1-24-23
Date