RESOLUTION NO. 2022-32449

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, TAKING THE FOLLOWING STEPS: (1) DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO WORK WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT TO TWENTY (20) MILES PER HOUR ON PRAIRIE AVENUE, WITH SPECIAL CONSIDERATION TO AREAS IN THE VICINITY OF MIAMI BEACH SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL AND NORTH BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GROUNDS (THE "SCHOOL GROUNDS") AND TO TAKE ALL STEPS WHICH MAY BE NECESSARY TO NOTIFY GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM ("GPS") PLATFORMS, SUCH AS WAZE, GOOGLE MAPS, AND APPLE MAPS OF THE CHANGE; (2) URGING THE MIAMI BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ENHANCE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT AROUND THE SCHOOL GROUNDS TO ADDRESS ON-GOING TRAFFIC SAFETY ISSUES ON PRAIRIE AVENUE; (3) DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO CREATE A PLAN ON ENFORCING PARKING VIOLATIONS ON BICYCLE LANES IN ACCORDANCE WITH §316.1945 FLA. STAT. THROUGH THE USE OF PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON BICYCLES, PRIORITIZING BICYCLE LANE VIOLATIONS NEAR THE AFOREMENTIONED SCHOOL GROUNDS; AND (4) DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO PROVIDE A QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE ON THE STATUS OF IMPLEMENTING THE CENTRAL BAYSHORE TRAFFIC CALMING IMPROVEMENTS REQUIRED AS PART OF THE CHASE AVENUE AND 34TH STREET SHARED-USE PATH PROJECT.

WHEREAS, area residents and parents of students attending Miami Beach Senior High School and North Beach Elementary (the "School Grounds") have repeatedly expressed traffic safety concerns due to speeding and stop sign violations on Prairie Avenue in the vicinity of the School Grounds; and

WHEREAS, although Prairie Avenue is located within the City's territorial jurisdiction, the Miami-Dade County has jurisdiction over speed limits on non-state roads within the County; and

WHEREAS, while the City has been authorized by the County to install 25 miles per hour speed limit signs on local roads as per the United States Department of Transportation and Florida Highway Authority roadway classification system, portions of Prairie Avenue are classified as a collector roadway and thus not eligible for the reduced speed limit; and

WHEREAS, as such, the Mayor and City Commission direct the City Administration to work with the County on taking all steps necessary to reduce the speed

limit to twenty (20) miles per hour on Prairie Avenue in the vicinity of the School Grounds, to the fullest extent legally possible, for the safety of the students; and

WHEREAS, following the reduction of the speed limit, the Administration should promptly notify Global Positioning ("GPS") platforms such as Waze, Google Maps, and Apple Maps of the change to ensure that it is properly reflected to motorists relying on GPS to travel throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the Mayor and City Commission urge the Miami Beach Police Department to enhance traffic enforcement around the School Grounds to address on-going traffic safety issues, including stop sign violations; and

WHEREAS, under §316.1945 Fla. Stat., either a law enforcement officer or a parking enforcement specialist may issue a parking ticket upon discovery of a violation of the statute; accordingly, the Mayor and City Commission further request that the City Administration create a plan for enforcing parking violations on bicycle lanes, in accordance with §316.1945 Fla. Stat., through the use of parking enforcement officers on bicycles, prioritizing bicycle lane violations near the School Grounds; and

WHEREAS, moreover, in 2017 and 2019, the Mayor and City Commission approved traffic calming improvements for the Central Bayshore neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, specifically, in 2019, the Mayor and City Commission adopted Resolution No. 2019-31036, where traffic calming measures were requested as part of the Chase Avenue and 34th Street Shared-Use Path Project; and

WHEREAS, the shared use path should be implemented simultaneously with traffic calming improvements contemplated by the City Commission to the fullest extent possible, so as to ensure the safety of pedestrians and bicyclists in the area; and

WHEREAS, as such, the Mayor and City Commission direct the City Administration to provide a quarterly progress report to the Public Safety Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee on the status of implementing the Central Bayshore traffic calming improvements required as part of the Chase Avenue and 34th Street Shared-Use Path Project in Resolution No. 2019-31036.

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 take the following steps:

(1) direct the City Administration to work with Miami-Dade County to reduce the speed limit to twenty (20) miles per hour on Prairie Avenue, with special consideration to areas in the vicinity of Miami Beach Senior High School and North Beach Elementary School grounds (the "School Grounds") and to take all steps which may be necessary to notify global positioning system ("GPS") platforms, such as Waze, Google Maps, and Apple Maps of the change;

(2) urge the Miami Beach Police Department to enhance traffic enforcement around the School Grounds to address on-going traffic safety issues on Prairie Avenue;

(3) direct the City Administration to create a plan on enforcing parking violations on bicycle lanes in accordance with §316.1945 Fla. Stat. through the use of parking enforcement officers on bicycles, prioritizing bicycle lane violations near the aforementioned School Grounds; and

(4) direct the City Administration to provide a quarterly progress report to the Public Safety Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee on the status of implementing the Central Bayshore traffic calming improvements required as part of the Chase Avenue and 34th Street Shared-Use Path Project.

PASSED and **ADOPTED** this 14 day of December 2022.

ATTEST:

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Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(sponsored by Vice-Mayor Alex J. Fernandez)

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& FOR EXECUTION

City Attorney

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