

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO IDENTIFY AN APPROPRIATE STORAGE LOCATION AT A CITY-OWNED OR LEASED STORAGE FACILITY, FOR THE CITY'S STORAGE OF THE SEASHELL MENORAH AND DREIDEL ANNUALLY DISPLAYED ALONG WITH OTHER HOLIDAY-RELATED DECORATIONS ON LINCOLN ROAD, A CITY-OWNED RIGHT OF WAY AREA, WITH THE FOREGOING CITY STORAGE OPPORTUNITY TO ONLY BE MADE AVAILABLE SO LONG AS THE WORKS ARE DISPLAYED IN THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH.

WHEREAS, for more than 20 years, Miami Beach artist Roger Abramson's oversized menorah and the world's largest spinning dreidel, each made out of more than 25,000 seashells gathered on Miami Beach, have been a staple on Lincoln Road during Hannukah; and

WHEREAS, the two pieces have been displayed on Lincoln Road in combination with other holiday decorations in accordance with applicable laws, and became a popular attraction to locals and visitors alike during the holiday season, with approximately 2 million people visiting the sculptures in the last two decades; and

WHEREAS, the sturdy sculptures are held together with a combination of exterior adhesives Mr. Abramson has developed through the years, and every year before he brings out the sculptures, he has to make repairs with new shells; and

WHEREAS, the menorah and the dreidel are in need of adequate and appropriate storage during the off-season, in order to preserve the integrity of the structures and prevent further wear-and-tear; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission desire to authorize the City Administration to find storage for the seashell menorah and the dreidel displayed along with other holiday-related decorations on Lincoln Road, a City-owned right of way area, with the foregoing City storage opportunity to only be made available so long as the works are displayed in the City of Miami Beach.

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 and authorize the Administration to identify an appropriate storage location at a City-owned or leased storage facility, for the City's storage of the seashell menorah and dreidel annually displayed along with other holiday-related decorations on Lincoln Road, a City-owned right of way area, with the foregoing City

storage opportunity to only be made available so long as the works are displayed in the City of Miami Beach.

PASSED and **ADOPTED** this ____ day of _____, 2023.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(sponsored by Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney

5-9-23

Date