

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING EARLY VOTING FOR THE NOVEMBER 7, 2023 CITY OF MIAMI BEACH GENERAL ELECTION AND, IF REQUIRED, A NOVEMBER 21, 2023 RUN-OFF ELECTION AND DIRECTING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS OR HER DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE DRIVE-THROUGH DROP-BOX LOCATIONS AT ALL EARLY VOTING SITES DURING EARLY VOTING TO ALLOW VOTERS TO SECURELY AND TIMELY RETURN VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS FOR THE NOVEMBER 7, 2023 CITY OF MIAMI BEACH GENERAL ELECTION, AND, IF REQUIRED, THE NOVEMBER 21, 2023 RUN-OFF ELECTION.**

**WHEREAS**, Florida's Election Code states that municipalities may provide Early Voting in municipal elections that are not held in conjunction with County or State elections and, pursuant thereto, the City may designate as many Early Voting sites as necessary and conduct its activities in accordance with the provisions of Sections §101.657(1)(a)-(c) of the Florida Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miami Beach has scheduled a General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023, to elect a Mayor and City Commission members in Groups IV, V, and VI, and has scheduled a Run-Off Election (if required) for Tuesday, November 21, 2023, neither of which election dates are being held in conjunction with a County or State election; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Florida Statute Section 101.657 (1)(e) and Miami Beach City Code Section 38-6(a) and (b), the City Commission hereby authorizes Early Voting for the November 7, 2023 City of Miami Beach General Election, and, if required, the November 21, 2023 Run-Off Election; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to City Code Section 38-6(b)(1), the City Commission has designated Miami Beach City Hall, First Floor Conference Room, 1700 Convention Center Drive, and the North Shore Branch Library, 7501 Collins Avenue, as the Early Voting locations within the City of Miami Beach and authorizes the following Early Voting schedule for the November 7, 2023 City of Miami Beach General Election:

**FIRST WEEK**

| <b>DATE</b>                 | <b>TIME</b>           |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Monday, October 23, 2023    | 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, October 24, 2023   | 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 25, 2023 | 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. |
| Thursday, October 26, 2023  | 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. |
| Friday, October 27, 2023    | 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. |
| Saturday, October 28, 2023  | 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |
| Sunday, October 29, 2023    | 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |

**SECOND WEEK**

| <b>DATE</b>                 | <b>TIME</b>            |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Monday, October 30, 2023    | 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday, October 31, 2023   | 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday, November 1, 2023 | 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. |

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| Thursday, November 2, 2023 | 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. |
| Friday, November 3, 2023   | 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. |
| Saturday, November 4, 2023 | 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  |
| Sunday, November 5, 2023   | 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  |

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to City Code Section 38-6(b)(2), the City Commission has designated Miami Beach City Hall, First Floor Conference Room, 1700 Convention Center Drive, and the North Shore Branch Library, 7501 Collins Avenue, as the Early Voting locations within the City of Miami Beach in the event of a November 21, 2023 Run-Off Election and authorizes the following Early Voting schedule for the November 21, 2023 City of Miami Beach Run-Off Election:

| DATE                        | TIME                  |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Friday, November 17, 2023   | 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |
| Saturday, November 18, 2023 | 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |
| Sunday, November 19, 2023   | 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. |

**WHEREAS**, voters in the State of Florida are eligible to Vote-by-Mail, or in person either at an Early Voting location during the Early Voting period or at their designated polling place on Election Day; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida law permits voters to return their Vote-by-Mail ballots to the County Elections Department by mail or in person on Election Day before 7:00 p.m., or to drop off their Vote-by-Mail ballot at an Early Voting location during the hours of operation via Secure Ballot Intake Station (Vote-by-Mail Drop Box); and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission believes that providing secure, drive-through Vote-by-Mail drop-box locations at the above Miami Beach Early Voting sites will allow voters to securely and timely cast their votes and thus encourage more voter participation in the November 7, 2023 City of Miami Beach General Election, and, if required, the November 21, 2023 Run-Off Election; and

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade County Elections Department has provided the City Clerk with an estimate of \$357,409.95 for the City's November 7, 2023 General Election, which includes the costs of 14 Early Voting days at two Early Voting sites (See Exhibit A, Estimate – General Election); and

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade County Elections Department has further provided the City Clerk with an estimate of \$214,654.44 for the City's November 21, 2023 Run-Off Election, if required, which includes the costs of three Early Voting days at two Early Voting sites (See Exhibit B, Estimate – Run-Off Election).

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH:**

**Section 1.**

Authorize Early Voting for the November 7, 2023 City of Miami Beach General Election, and, if required, a November 21, 2023 Run-Off Election, with Early Voting to be conducted in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution. It is further resolved that if necessary or expedient to implement Early Voting in accordance with Code section 38-6, the City Clerk is authorized to take any action not otherwise inconsistent with State

or County law, including but not limited to altering the days and locations of the Early Voting schedule set forth herein if necessary due to an unforeseen event, with the City Clerk immediately reporting the change to the Mayor and Commissioners via a Letter to Commission (LTC).

**Section 2.**

Direct the Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections or her designee to provide drive-through Vote-by-Mail ballot drop-box locations at all Early Voting sites in Miami Beach to allow voters to securely and timely deliver their Vote-by-Mail ballots to the Supervisor of Elections for the November 7, 2023 City of Miami Beach General Election, and, if required, a November 21, 2023 Run-Off Election. The Vote-by-Mail ballot drop-box locations at Early Voting sites shall be available to voters during the same days and hours of operation as the Early Voting sites. All drive-through Vote-by-Mail drop-box locations shall be staffed by a designee of the Miami-Dade County Elections Department who shall take possession of all returned Vote-by-Mail ballots. The designee of the Miami-Dade County Elections Department shall keep such ballots in a secure, sealed container and transport them to the Miami-Dade County Elections Department at the end of every Early Voting day. The option to deliver Vote-by-Mail ballots to the drive-through Vote-by-Mail drop-box locations shall be in addition to all other legal methods of delivery of Vote-by-Mail ballots.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023.

**ATTEST:**

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DAN GELBER  
MAYOR

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RAFAEL E. GRANADO  
CITY CLERK

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City Attorney      PAZ      7-14-23  
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