

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF WAYNE A. JONES, AS THE POLICE CHIEF OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4.02(b) of the City Charter, the City Manager has the power to appoint the directors of the City's administrative departments, including the Miami Beach Police Department, with the consent of the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, the selection of the Police Chief is one of the single most important decisions that any City Manager can make, as public safety is fundamental to the management and operations of the City; and

WHEREAS, Police Chief Richard Clements will conclude his tenure with the City of Miami Beach (the "City") on October 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has appointed Wayne A. Jones, the current Deputy Chief of Police, as the Police Chief for the City; and

WHEREAS, Chief Jones has spent his entire 27-year career with the City coming up through the ranks as a Patrol Officer, Detective, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Captain, and Major before being appointed Deputy Chief in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Chief Jones developed the structure for what has become the nationally recognized Homeless Resource Officer Program, offering a multifaceted approach to outreach, engagement, and enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Chief Jones has been instrumental in making tremendous strides in the Police Department, such as boosting the recruitment of female police officers hires from 12% to 18%; and

WHEREAS, Chief Jones holds a bachelor's degree in political science and public administration from Florida Memorial University, and a master's degree in public administration from Florida International University; and

WHEREAS, Chief Jones successfully completed the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Law Enforcement Executive Development Seminar program and the Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police; and

WHEREAS, Chief Jones' knowledge, skills, experience, and qualifications make him uniquely qualified to serve as Police Chief for the Miami Beach Police Department; and

WHEREAS, to allow for the appropriate transition and continuity within our Police Department, this appointment will become effective September 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Chief Clements will serve the remainder of his time as a Special Advisor to the City Manager and to Chief Jones to ensure a smooth and seamless transition; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission wish to consent to the appointment of Wayne Jones as the Police Chief for the City of Miami Beach, Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, hereby consent to the appointment of Wayne A. Jones as the Police Chief for the City of Miami Beach.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of July 2023.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney *PAZ* 7-18-23
Date