

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, REAFFIRMING RESOLUTION NO. 2023-32557, ENDORSING, IN ADVANCE OF SPRING BREAK 2024, THE CITY MANAGER'S INTENT TO DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR THE AREA SOUTH OF DADE BOULEVARD/23RD STREET IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 252 OF THE FLORIDA STATUTES, INCLUDING THE IMPOSITION OF A CURFEW FOR LIMITED PERIODS IN MARCH OF 2024 AS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND ORDER IN THE CITY; AND DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO IMPLEMENT A ROBUST COMMUNICATION STRATEGY TO ADVISE THE PUBLIC TO EXPECT CURFEWS DURING LIMITED PERIODS IN MARCH OF 2024 BASED UPON CONSISTENT EVIDENCE OF PAST EVENTS LEADING TO CURFEWS DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH FOR THE PAST THREE CONSECUTIVE YEARS.

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach (the "City") is an internationally renowned tourist destination that is famous for its beautiful beaches, world-class shopping, entertainment, fine dining, and vast array of artistic and cultural events; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, the City has seen an increasingly large number of visitors during the Spring Break period during the month of March each year, which has posed significant challenges including, but not limited to, extreme traffic and congestion, and severe impacts to the City's Police, Fire, Sanitation, and Code Compliance services; and

WHEREAS, in each Spring Break period in the month of March for the years 2021, 2022, and 2023, the City Manager was forced to declare a state of emergency and to impose curfews during one or more periods due to massive crowds, increased crime, and several shootings in densely packed tourist areas south of Dade Boulevard/23rd Street; and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2023, the Mayor and City Commission adopted Resolution No. 2023-32557 (attached in full here), endorsing, in advance of Spring Break 2024, the City Manager's intent to declare a state of emergency for the area south of Dade Boulevard/23rd Street in accordance with chapter 252 of the Florida Statutes, including the imposition of a curfew for limited periods in March of 2024 as necessary to provide for public safety and order in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Administration has, in accordance with Resolution No. 2023-32557, mailed a copy of that Resolution to all establishments south of Dade Boulevard/23rd Street, along with a letter advising of the likelihood of the need for curfews during limited periods in March 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission desire to reaffirm their approval and endorsement of Resolution No. 2023-32557 and of the City Manager's intent to declare a state of emergency for the area south of Dade Boulevard/23rd Street in accordance with chapter 252 of

the Florida Statutes, for a total possible period up to the statutorily allowable 42 days if authorized by the Mayor and City Commission at that time, including any determination on the part of the City Manager that the imposition of a curfew for limited periods in March of 2024 is necessary to provide for public safety and order in the City, in particular during the period which may potentially include March 7, 2024 through March 18, 2024 or portions thereof, which is the period the City has historically experienced threats to public safety due to excessively large crowds and life-threatening violence; and

WHEREAS, advance public knowledge as to the likelihood of curfews during limited periods during the March 2024 Spring Break period is of paramount importance for the safety of the public, for the economic well-being of businesses, and for the effective implementation of Resolution No. 2023-32557, so, therefore, the Mayor and City Commission direct the City Administration to create and implement a robust communication strategy to advise the public, businesses, and potential Spring Break visitors to expect curfews during these limited times during March 2024.

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 reaffirm Resolution No. 2023-32557, endorsing, in advance of Spring Break 2024, the City Manager's intent to declare a state of emergency for the area south of Dade Boulevard/23rd Street in accordance with chapter 252 of the Florida statutes, including the imposition of a curfew for limited periods in March of 2024 as necessary to provide for public safety and order in the City; and directing the City Administration to implement a robust communication strategy to advise the public to expect curfews during limited periods in March of 2024 based upon consistent evidence of past events leading to curfews during the month of March for the past three consecutive years.

PASSED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2024.

ATTEST:

Steven Meiner, Mayor

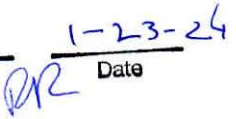
Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Commissioner Alex J. Fernandez)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney



Date