

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT EMPOWERING THE STATE OF FLORIDA, DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AND PARTICIPATING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS, TO COORDINATE AND PROVIDE RECIPROCAL EMERGENCY AID AND ASSISTANCE IN THE EVENT OF A DISASTER OR EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the respective governments of the City of Miami Beach and the various political subdivisions of the State of Florida, to ensure the public safety of their citizens by providing an adequate level of critical services to address disasters and emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach, and the State of Florida, are geographically vulnerable to hurricanes, flooding, tornadoes, sinkholes and other natural disasters which may cause severe disruption of essential human services, and extensive property damage to public roadways, utilities, buildings, parks and other government-owned facilities; and

WHEREAS, there is also an existing and continuing possibility of the occurrence of technological or civil emergencies, or other human-caused disasters (acts of terrorism, transportation accidents, large-scale hazardous material spills or leaks, etc.) which are, or are likely to be, beyond the capability of the personnel, services, equipment or facilities of the City of Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to ensure that the City of Miami Beach will have sufficient resources to address any natural, technological or civil emergency to protect the welfare and safety of the people and property of the City of Miami Beach, and assist other participating political subdivisions within the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, authorizes the State of Florida and its political subdivisions to enter into mutual aid agreements for reciprocal emergency aid and assistance in the event of an emergency or disaster that is too extensive to be dealt with unassisted, and through such agreements to ensure the timely reimbursement of costs incurred by the local government(s) which render such assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement (the "Agreement") will enable the City of Miami Beach to request and receive emergency aid and assistance from the State of Florida and participating local governments to address any major disaster or emergency which occurs in the City of Miami Beach; and furthermore, the Agreement will enable the City of Miami Beach to provide emergency aid and assistance, and receive timely reimbursement, when such emergency or disaster occurs within the territorial jurisdiction of another participating party to the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, hereby authorize the Interim City Manager and City Clerk to execute the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement which empowers the State of Florida, Division of Emergency Management, and participating political subdivisions, to coordinate and provide reciprocal emergency aid and assistance in the event of a disaster or emergency.


PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2024.

ATTEST:

RAFAEL E. GRANADO, CITY CLERK

STEVEN MEINER, MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

 5/13/2024
City Attorney *SH* Date