

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD/COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AND APPROVING, BY 5/7TH VOTE, FOLLOWING A DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING, THE CO-NAMING OF CONVENTION CENTER DRIVE AS "MUHAMMAD ALI WAY."

WHEREAS, at the City Commission meeting on November 9, 2016, the Mayor and City Commission passed and adopted Ordinance No. 2016-4057 which amended the criteria for the co-naming of City streets in Section 82-503(c) of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, the new criteria set forth in Section 82-503(c) of the City Code provides that streets in the City may be co-named in honor of deceased persons who achieved international acclaim as a world champion in a sport and whose sports career associations with City facilities or other structures are of historical value or significance to the City; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the request of Mayor Philip Levine, the co-naming of Convention Center Drive as "Muhammad Ali Way" was referred to the Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee at the November 9, 2016 City Commission meeting for the Committee's consideration and review; and

WHEREAS, Muhammad Ali was a world heavyweight boxing champion who, during his lifetime, not only achieved international acclaim as a boxer, but trained at the Fifth Street Gym on Miami Beach and won his first world heavyweight boxing championship at the Miami Beach Convention Center; and

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2016, the Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee considered the request for the co-naming of Convention Center Drive as "Muhammad Ali Way" and, by a unanimous vote, recommended in favor of the co-naming; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission hereby accept the recommendation of the Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee to co-name Convention Center Drive as "Muhammad Ali Way"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2016-29650, the Mayor and City Commission called a public hearing regarding the co-naming of Convention Center Drive as "Muhammad Ali Way" and a Special Meeting of the City Commission was called by the City Manager for this purpose to be held on Tuesday, November 29, 2016 at 9:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach, at the duly noticed public hearing, considered the co-naming request and approved the co-naming of Convention Center Drive as "Muhammad Ali Way" by a 5/7th vote; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the rules and procedures of the Board of County Commissioners ("County Commission") for Miami-Dade County (County), the co-naming of municipal streets that require new County signage requires approval by the County Commission; and

WHEREAS, new County signage reflecting the co-names of Convention Center Drive and "Muhammad Ali Way" is desired at the intersections of Convention Center Drive and 17th Street, 18th Street, 19th Street, and Dade Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, in view of the Miami Beach City Commission's approval of the co-naming of Convention Center Drive as "Muhammad Ali Way," the City Manager will transmit this Resolution to a Miami-Dade County Commissioner to consider the sponsorship of an item on a County Commission agenda for County approval of the co-naming for purposes of County signage.

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 accept the recommendation of the Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee and hereby approve, by 5/7th vote, following a duly noticed public hearing, the co-naming of Convention Center Drive as "Muhammad Ali Way."

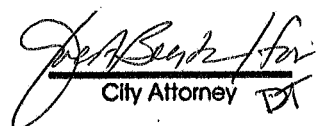
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 29th day of November, 2016.

ATTEST:

Philip Levine, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney

11/21/16

Date