A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF FUNDS FROM THE MIAMI BEACH TREE PRESERVATION TRUST FUND TO PURCHASE AND DONATE SEVENTY FIVE (75) TREES TO THE NORMANDY FOUNTAIN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION FOR A TREE GIVEAWAY.

WHEREAS, Miami Beach's trees are a defining and valued feature of the City of Miami Beach (the "City"), recognized for the important contribution they provide in mitigating the effects of climate change, beautifying the City's landscaping, and providing shelter to local fauna; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has a goal to increase the City's canopy cover to 22% by the year 2040; and

WHEREAS, according to the City's Urban Forestry Masterplan, adopted in 2020, certain areas in North Beach are suffering the greatest urban heat island impacts, and focusing City efforts and outreach on tree planting and maintenance in North Beach and other areas most impacted by the effects of the urban heat island can help reduce the negative impacts caused by these elevated temperatures; and

WHEREAS, the Normandy Fountain Business Association is hosting a tree giveaway; and

WHEREAS, tree giveaways are a wonderful opportunity to educate residents on the various benefits of different tree species and proper tree maintenance for their selected tree; and

WHEREAS, per Section 46-65(4)(d) of the City Code, the Miami Beach Tree Preservation Trust Fund must be used to obtain trees, landscaping, irrigation systems, and any other items or materials necessary and proper for the preservation, maintenance, relocation or restoration of trees and the urban forest on any publicly owned land or publicly accessible parcels in Miami Beach or for similar programs approved by the City Commission.

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 authorize the use of funds from the Miami Beach Tree Preservation Trust Fund to purchase and donate seventy five (75) trees to the Normandy Fountain Business Association for a tree giveaway.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of February, 2023.

ATTEST:	FORM & LAN	Dan Gelber, Mayor APPROVED AS TO FORM & LANGUAGE	
Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk	& FOR EXEC	UTION	
	City Attorney	1-24-23 Date	