

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE TOURISM AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT TO TAKE ALL STEPS NECESSARY TO CONTRACT CUBAN SINGER AND SONGWRITER ALBITA RODRIGUEZ FOR A PERFORMANCE IN THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH AS PART OF FUTURE MIAMI BEACH LIVE! OR MIAMI BEACH ONSTAGE! PROGRAMMING.

WHEREAS, Albita Rodríguez is a Cuban singer and songwriter who is known for her unique style of fusing traditional Cuban music with modern elements; and

WHEREAS, born in Havana, Cuba in 1965, she has been at the forefront of the Cuban music scene for over three decades, earning widespread recognition for her powerful voice and dynamic performances; and

WHEREAS, Albita is also notable for her status as an openly lesbian artist in a traditionally macho and conservative society, making her a trailblazer for the LGBTQ+ community in Cuba and beyond; and

WHEREAS, as a singer and performer, Albita is celebrated for her ability to capture the essence of traditional Cuban music while infusing it with contemporary flair, and her style is known for its energy and passion, and her concerts are renowned for their dynamic and high-energy performances; and

WHEREAS, her music draws from a wide range of influences, including Son, Guaguancó, and Rumba, and is characterized by its upbeat rhythms, catchy melodies, and powerful vocals; and

WHEREAS beyond her musical achievements, Albita is also recognized for her role as a cultural ambassador, promoting Cuban music and culture around the world; and

WHEREAS, her significance as a Cuban lesbian singer lies in her ability to bring her unique voice and perspective to the world stage, inspiring others to embrace their own individuality and creativity; and

WHEREAS, through her music, Albita has helped to promote a more inclusive and diverse understanding of Cuban culture, challenging traditional gender roles and pushing the boundaries of what is accepted in Cuban society.

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 direct the Tourism and Culture Department to take all steps necessary to contract Cuban singer and songwriter Albita Rodriguez for a performance

in the City of Miami Beach as part of future Miami Beach Live! or Miami Beach Onstage! programming.

PASSED and **ADOPTED** this ____ day of _____, 2023.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(sponsored by Commissioner Ricky Arriola)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney *EA*

2-15-23
Date