

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING, BY 5/7TH VOTE, FOLLOWING A DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2023, PURSUANT TO SECTION 82-503(B) OF THE CITY CODE, THE RENAMING OF THE NORTH BEACH OCEANSIDE DOG PARK AS THE "SALLY HEYMAN DOG PARK", IN HONOR OF FORMER COUNTY COMMISSIONER SALLY HEYMAN'S MANY YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE.

WHEREAS, at the March 27, 2023 City Commission meeting, at the request of Mayor Dan Gelber, a referral was made to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee ("PSNQLC" or the "Committee") regarding renaming the North Beach Oceanside Dog Park (the "Dog Park") as the "Sally Heyman Dog Park", in honor of former County Commissioner Sally Heyman's many years of public service; and

WHEREAS, at its June 21, 2023 meeting, in accordance with Section 82-503(b) of the City Code, the PSNQLC reviewed the proposed naming and, in lieu of recommending the naming of the Dog Park after Commissioner Heyman, instead recommended that the Administration conduct an online survey among North Beach residents, featuring a write-in option, to obtain community input regarding other potential options for the renaming of the Dog Park, with the Administration to return to PSNQLC with the survey results within ninety (90) days; and

WHEREAS, County Commissioner Sally A. Heyman was first elected to the District 4 seat of the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners in September 2002, after serving in the Florida House of Representatives for four consecutive terms, and faithfully served District 4, which includes City of Miami Beach, for twenty (20) years; and

WHEREAS, as County Commissioner, Commissioner Heyman championed human rights issues legislation, especially in the areas of funding social services; the protection and care of women, children and vulnerable adults; protecting personal freedoms; affordable healthcare; animal protection and green sustainability initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Heyman is also known for her lifelong advocacy for animals in Miami-Dade County, during her tenure, Commissioner Heyman spearheaded many animal-related initiatives, including the following:

- Led efforts to create a number of dog parks in District 4, including the Haulover Park Dog Park & Greynolds Park Dog Park;
- Lowered euthanasia rates for animals countywide;
- Promoted adopt-not-shop initiatives;
- Passed bonds to increase funding for basic animal services; and
- Created the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Peer Support Response K-9 Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Commissioner Sally Heyman championed many initiatives over the years for the benefit of the City of Miami Beach and its residents, including:

- Securing over \$34M in beach renourishment and erosion related funding for Miami Beach during her tenure in the Florida State Legislature;

- Sponsoring over \$24M in beach renourishment and erosion related funding for Miami Beach during her tenure in the Miami-Dade County Commission.
- Sponsoring Boater Safety and Education Law in the Florida State Legislature due to boating accidents in Miami Beach;
- Sponsoring the extension and creation of both the Miami Beach City Center/Historic Convention Village Redevelopment and Revitalization Area Plan and North Beach Community Redevelopment Area, creating more than \$430,000,000 in Tax Increment Revenue Bonds for the Miami Beach City Center/Historic Convention Village Redevelopment and Revitalization Area Plan;
- Playing a critical role in the creation of the South Beach Trolley Route to provide public transportation services.
- Sponsoring millions for transit and public safety throughout the city including the Julia Tuttle Causeway and Venetia Causeway;
- Sponsoring a variety of public safety and law enforcement legislation benefitting the public wellbeing of our citizens and visitors, including sponsoring gun buy-back events, buying boating and protective equipment for the Miami Beach Police Department and Miami Beach Fire Department, and creating the Derelict and Abandoned Vessel Task Force; and

WHEREAS, at the July 26, 2023 City Commission meeting, the Mayor and City Commission declined to accept the Committee's recommendation, and directed the City Clerk's Office to set a public hearing for September 13, 2023, to consider naming the North Beach Oceanside Dog Park as the "Sally Heyman Dog Park", in honor of former County Commissioner Sally Heyman's many years of public service.

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 approve, by 5/7th vote, following a duly noticed public hearing on September 13, 2023, pursuant to Section 82-503(b) of the City Code, the re-naming of the North Beach Oceanside Dog Park as the "Sally Heyman Dog Park", in honor of Former County Commissioner Sally Heyman's many years of public service.

PASSED and ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2023.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

City Attorney

8-31-23

Date