

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-033

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, ENCOURAGING THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO COMBAT HOMELESSNESS; DIRECTING THE CLERK TO PROVIDE A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, today, one in four families that rent in our country live a paycheck away from homelessness, and more and more families can no longer afford safe places to live; and

WHEREAS, current federal programs and funding for housing are not meeting the growing demand; and

WHEREAS, even worse, lowering or maintaining level funding every year, when not accounting for inflation, effectively reduces critical resources, shifting costs to already burdened taxpayers and leading to even greater homelessness; and

WHEREAS, no one should have to choose between housing they cannot afford and basic necessities like food and medication; and

WHEREAS, it is time for dramatic change in how this national crisis is addressed; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hialeah wishes to send a powerful message that investing in existing and new housing programs benefits all of us; and

WHEREAS, we need to ignite a national conversation that reminds the nation that affordable housing is pro-family, pro-jobs and pro-investment; and

WHEREAS, the private sector is a powerful partner that understands how investing in our communities leads to economic growth, a stronger workforce, and stronger cities; and

WHEREAS, the state and federal governments have a vital role in housing and homeless assistance and must be a partner; and

WHEREAS, the proposals in the Administration's FY 2019 budget shifts responsibility to local governments and taxpayers to meet the nation's needs while cutting federal funding and reducing the federal role in housing; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council wish to encourage the federal government to increase funding for affordable housing to combat homelessness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals Adopted. The foregoing recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made a part hereof by this reference.

Section 2. The Mayor and the City Council hereby encourage the federal government to increase funding for affordable housing to combat homelessness.

Section 3. The City Council hereby directs the City Clerk to transmit a copy of this Resolution to all appropriate entities.

Section 4. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon signature of the Mayor of the City of Hialeah, Florida or at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting, if the Mayor's signature is withheld or if the City Council overrides the Mayor's veto.

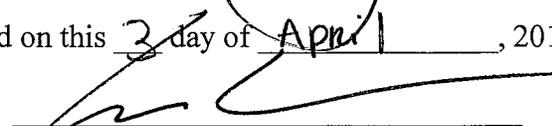
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26 day of March, 2019.


Vivian Casals-Munoz
Council President

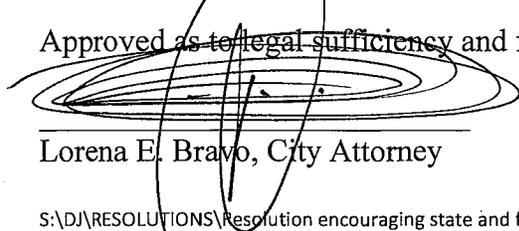
Attest:


Marbelys Fatjo, City Clerk

Approved on this 3 day of April, 2019.


Mayor Carlos Hernandez

Approved as to legal sufficiency and form:


Lorena E. Bravo, City Attorney

Resolution was adopted by a 6-0-1 vote with Councilmembers, Caragol, Zogby, Lozano, Casals-Munoz, Garcia-Martinez and Cuenca voting "Yes", and with Councilmember Hernandez absent.