

RESOLUTION NO.: 2016-60

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, STRONGLY OPPOSING THE PROPOSED RATE INCREASE BY FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT ("FPL").

WHEREAS, FPL provides electricity within the City of Hialeah ("Hialeah"), and Hialeah and its residents have no alternative but to purchase services from FPL; and

WHEREAS, Hialeah and its residents and businesses continue to face a stagnant economy with scarce affordable housing, and stagnant incomes and revenues, requiring Hialeah and its residents and businesses to live within their means and budget accordingly; and

WHEREAS, FPL has asked the Florida Public Service Commission ("PSC") to allow a 23.7% base rate increase over four years, representing a \$1.3 billion increase statewide, in order to compensate for higher operating expenses and planned capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, this proposed increase will result in an average increase of \$13 a month for the average consumer beginning with \$8.50 for year 2017, another \$2.50 in 2018 and \$2 more in 2019; and

WHEREAS, during these difficult economic times, a 23.7% increase in electricity rates will present significant challenges for individuals, small businesses, schools, and local governments, and will further exacerbate the current economic conditions and necessitate greater budget cuts.

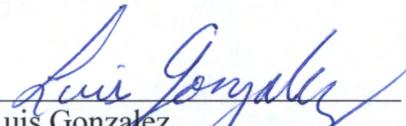
WHEREAS, the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hialeah strongly oppose the proposed base rate increase by Florida Power and Light, Inc. ("FPL"); and

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

Section 1. The foregoing facts and recitations contained in the preamble of this resolution are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hialeah, Florida strongly oppose the proposed base rate increase by Florida Power and Light, Inc.

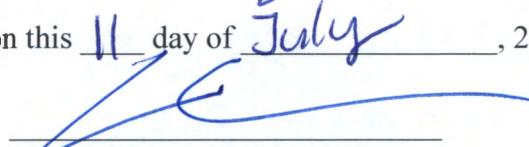
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28 day of June, 2016.


Luis Gonzalez
Council President

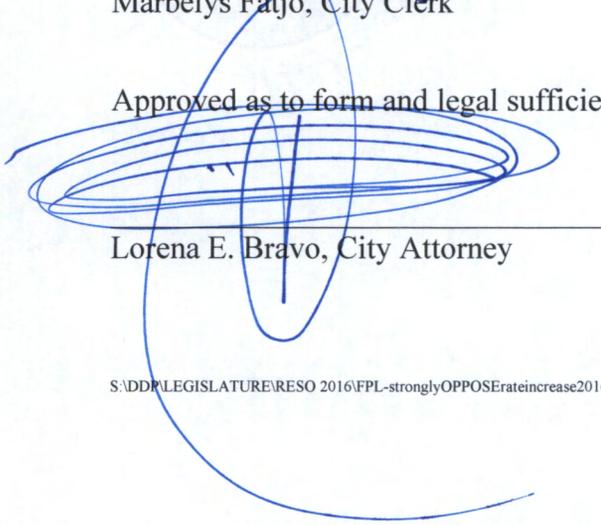
Attest:


Marbelys Fatjo, City Clerk

Approved on this 11 day of July, 2016.


Mayor Carlos Hernandez

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:


Lorena E. Bravo, City Attorney

Resolution was adopted by a (7-0) unanimous vote with Councilmembers, Caragol, Casals-Muñoz, Cue-Fuente, Garcia-Martinez, Gonzalez, Hernandez and Lozano voting "Yes".