

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-125**

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL APPROVING THE DESIGNATION OF OKEECHOBEE ROAD ALL THE WAY TO 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET ON EAST 1 AVENUE, HIALEAH, FLORIDA, AS "HERMAN ECHEVARRIA WAY", IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF THE OUTSTANDING SERVICE OF HERMAN ECHEVARRIA TO THE CITY OF HIALEAH AND SOUTH FLORIDA AND ITS RESIDENTS, WITH THE COST OF SIGNAGE TO BE PAID BY THE CITY.

**WHEREAS**, the Historic Preservation Board recommended approval of this Resolution on December 7, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, the designation of Okeechobee road all the way to 9<sup>th</sup> Street on East 1 avenue, as "HERMAN ECHEVARRIA WAY", presently unnamed, is in honor and memory of the outstanding service of Herman Echevarria to South Florida, and to the City of Hialeah and its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Herman Echevarria will always be remembered and served, the City of Hialeah and its residents for 12 years from 1985 to 1997, in the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Herman Echevarria also served in the City of Hialeah's Chamber of Commerce eventually becoming its President and Chairman;

**WHEREAS**, Herman Echevarria was a successful entrepreneur in South Florida and served as Chairman and CEO of BVK/Meka, an international marketing and communications firm based in Miami;

**WHEREAS**, Herman Echevarria also founded Venue magazine along with his wife, Alexia, and Alexia was a reality TV star in The Real Housewives of Miami, and he was known for his role in the show as her husband and family man;

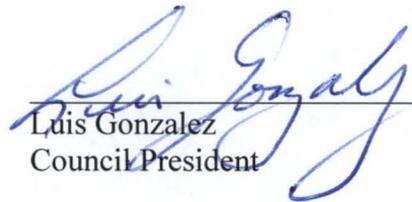
**WHEREAS**, Herman Echevarria was recognized by the Miami Business Review in 2001 as one of the top 100 most influential leaders in South Florida;

**WHEREAS**, Herman Echevarria as a former City Council Member, successful entrepreneur, respected business leader, philanthropist and devoted family man represented the very best of our community.

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

**Section 1.** Approval of the designation of a portion of Okeechobee Road all the way to 9<sup>th</sup> Street on East 1 Avenue, Hialeah, Florida, presently unnamed, is hereby named as “HERMAN ECHEVARRIA WAY”, in honor and memory of the outstanding service of Herman Echevarria to the City of Hialeah and its residents, and to the South Florida Community, with the cost of signage to be paid by the City.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13 day of December, 2016.

  
Luis Gonzalez  
Council President

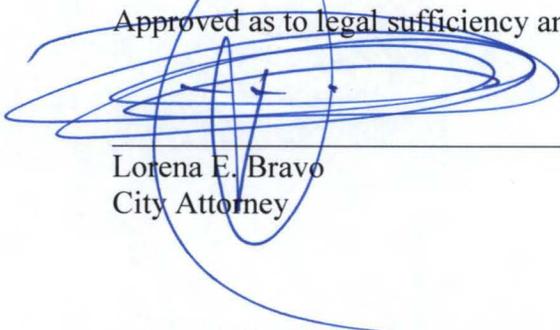
Attest:

Approved on this 16 day of December, 2016.

  
Marbelys Fatjo, City Clerk

  
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, Gonzalez, Hernandez, Lozano, Casás-Muñoz, and Cue-Fuente voting “Yes”. Councilwoman Garcia-Martinez absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-125

RESOLUTION OF THE HIALEAH HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD RECOMMENDING THE DESIGNATION OF OKEECHOBEE ROAD ALL THE WAY TO 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET ON EAST 1 AVENUE, HIALEAH, FLORIDA, AS "HERMAN ECHEVARRIA WAY", IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF THE OUTSTANDING SERVICE OF HERMAN ECHEVARRIA TO THE CITY OF HIALEAH AND SOUTH FLORIDA AND ITS RESIDENTS, WITH THE COST OF SIGNAGE TO BE PAID BY THE CITY.

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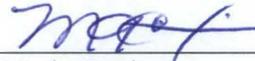
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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HIALEAH HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD THAT:

**Section 1.** The Hialeah Historic Preservation Board recommends approval of the designation of a portion of Okeechobee Road all the way to 9<sup>th</sup> Street on East 1 Avenue, Hialeah, Florida, presently unnamed, as “HERMAN ECHEVARRIA WAY”, in honor and memory of the outstanding service of Herman Echevarria to the City of Hialeah and its residents, and to the South Florida Community, with the cost of signage to be paid by the City.

PASSED AND RATIFIED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016.



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Maria Espinosa  
Board Chair

Attest:

  
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Marbelys Fatjo, City Clerk