RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA ISSUING A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS TO ORLANDO MARTINEZ-PAZ, OF THE "PRESIDIO POLITICO CUBANO", TO CONSTRUCT A MONUMENT AT TRIANGLE PARK IN HONOR OF LAURA POLLAN, THE FOUNDER OF "LAS DAMAS DE BLANCO", AND APPLY FOR THE NECESSARY BUILDING PERMIT(S) IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, Orlando Martinez-Paz, of the "Presidio Politico Cubano", has applied for a certificate of appropriateness to construct a monument at Triangle Park in honor of Laura Pollan (1948-2011), the founder of "Las Damas de Blanco, and apply for the necessary building permit(s) in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, Las Damas de Blanco is an opposition movement in Cuba consisting of wives and other female relatives of jailed dissidents that has been honored by the international community for its human rights activism; and

WHEREAS, by erecting a monument in her honor, Laura Pollan's work in the field of human rights for Cuban political prisoners will be memorialized for future generations; and

WHEREAS, Triangle Park has been designated a historic site by the Hialeah Historic Preservation Board; and

WHEREAS, the proposed monument is in keeping with the other monuments currently located at Triangle Park, which honor veterans and Cuban patriots; and

WHEREAS, the Hialeah Historic Preservation Board recommended approval of this resolution on August 6, 2014.

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

Section 1. A certificate of appropriateness be issued to Orlando Martinez-Paz, of the "Presidio Politico Cubano", to construct a monument at Triangle Park in honor of Laura
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Pollan, the founder of Las Damas de Blanco, and apply for the necessary building permit(s) in connection therewith.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12 day of August, 2014.

Isis Garcia-Martinez
Council President

Attest: Approved on this 18 day of August, 2014.

Marbelys Fatjo
Acting City Clerk

Mayor Carlos Hernandez

Approved as to legal sufficiency and form:

Lorena B. Bravo
Acting City Attorney

Resolution was adopted by a 6-0-1 vote with Council Members Caragol, Casáls-Muñoz, Cue-Fuente, Garcia-Martinez Hernandez, Lozano & voting “Yes”, and Council Vice President Gonzalez absent.