

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-R-81

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT, IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE ATTACHED FORM, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI'S PARTNERSHIP WITH THE HAITIAN AMERICAN COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE ("HACCC") TO ENSURE A COMPLETE AND ACCURATE COUNT OF SOUTH FLORIDA'S HARD TO COUNT HAITIAN COMMUNITY DURING THE 2020 CENSUS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, South Florida, with over 300,000 Haitians and Haitian Americans living in Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach Counties has the highest concentration of Haitians in the United States ("U.S."); and

**WHEREAS**, the Decennial Census aims to count the entire US population; and

**WHEREAS**, federal funds, grants support to states, counties and communities are based on population totals enumerated by the Census; and

**WHEREAS**, South Florida's Haitian community has been identified as hard to count; and

**WHEREAS**, the Haitian American Complete Count Committee ("HACCC") recognizes that successful strategies include the alignment of multiple partners from local governments, social service, faith-based, community and professional organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, HACCC has officially partnered with the Census Bureau to ensure timely and accurate sharing of information; and

**WHEREAS**, HACC wishes to collaborate with the City of North Miami ("City") to work collaboratively to ensure a complete and accurate count of South Florida's Haitian Community; and

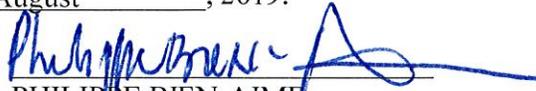
**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council believe that the Memorandum of Agreement with HACC will benefit the residents of the City of North Miami and should be entered into.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1. Authority to City Manager.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Agreement, in substantially the attached form, between the City of North Miami and the Haitian American Complete Count Committee, to establish a partnership to ensure a complete and accurate count of South Florida's Haitian Community.

**Section 2. Section 2. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by a 4-1 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 27th day of August, 2019.

  
PHILIPPE BIEN-AIME  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

  
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JEFF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.  
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: Galvin

Seconded by: Estimé-Irvin

**Vote:**

Mayor Philippe Bien-Aime	<u>X</u>	(Yes)	<u>        </u>	(No)
Vice Mayor Carol Keys, Esq.	<u>X</u>	(Yes)	<u>        </u>	(No)
Councilman Scott Galvin	<u>X</u>	(Yes)	<u>        </u>	(No)
Councilwoman Mary Estimé-Irvin	<u>X</u>	(Yes)	<u>        </u>	(No)
Councilman Alix Desulme, Ph.Ed.	<u>        </u>	(Yes)	<u>X</u>	(No)