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. **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:

VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFF H. CAZEAU, ESQ.
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: **Galvin**

Seconded by: **Estimé-Irvin**

**Vote:**

Mayor Philippe Bien-Aime
Vice Mayor Carol Keys, Esq.
Councilman Scott Galvin
Councilwoman Mary Estimé-Irvin
Councilman Alix Desulme, Ph.Ed.

X (Yes) (No)

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