RESOLUTION NO. 2019-R-113

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI AND THE FLORIDA WATER/WASTEWATER AGENCY RESPONSE NETWORK TO PROVIDE FOR THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI'S PARTICIPATION IN THE WATER/WASTEWATER EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Florida's Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network ("FlaWARN") is a mutual aid program made up of Water and Wastewater Utilities across Florida; and

WHEREAS, FlaWARN was established to provide a mechanism whereby water/wastewater utilities that have sustained physical damage from natural or man-made disasters can quickly obtain emergency assistance from other member water/wastewater utilities, as well as regulatory, technical, and law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, FlaWARN's infrastructure consists of a secure web-based data bank of available resources and a practical Mutual Aid Agreement ("MAA") a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made part hereof; and

WHEREAS, FlaWARN anticipates that when a signatory to the MAA has sustained physical damage from a natural or man-made disaster, emergency assistance would immediately be provided to the impacted utility by other member agencies; and

WHEREAS, having a signed MAA on file with FlaWARN prior to an emergency can help to reduce bureaucratic red tape and can greatly facilitate planning and prioritizing by other agencies responding to a member utility's requests for help; and

WHEREAS, this MAA between the City of North Miami and FLAWARN includes details on the reimbursements for all direct and indirect costs incurred during the periods of assistance; and
WHEREAS; the City has reviewed the terms, provisions, conditions, and requirements of the MAA and has determined that it would be in the interest of the City and its residents to enter in the MAA with FlaWARN; and

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

Section 1. Approval of Mutual Aid Agreement. The City Council hereby approves the Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of North Miami and Florida's Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network attached as “Exhibit 1.”

Section 2. Authority of City Manager and Police Chief. The City Manager and the Chief of Police are authorized to execute the Mutual Aid Agreement, attached as “Exhibit 1”.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution will be effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a 5-0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 7th day of October, 2019.

PHILIPPE BIEN-AIME
MAYOR

ATTEST:

VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by:  Calvin

Seconded by: Estimé-Irvin

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Vote:

Mayor Philippe Bien-Aime
X (Yes) (No)

Vice Mayor Carol Keys, Esq.
X (Yes) (No)

Councilman Scott Galvin
X (Yes) (No)

Councilwoman Mary Estimé-Irvin
X (Yes) (No)

Councilman Alix Desulme, Ed.D.
X (Yes) (No)