RESOLUTION NO. 2020-R-65

A RESOLUTION MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, URGING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MAYOR CARLOS A. GIMENEZ AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO TRANSFER CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES) ACT DIRECT FEDERAL FUNDS RECEIVED BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI AND OTHER UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT WITHIN THE COUNTY BASED ON POPULATION AND RATES OF COVID-19 CASES; PROVIDING FOR THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE OFFICIALS NAMED HERELN; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act was signed into law on March 27, 2020 and appropriated $150 billion of direct federal funding for state and local governments to address unforeseen financial needs and risks created by the Novel Coronavirus ("COVID-19") pandemic public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, states and units of local government with more than 500,000 residents received direct federal funding through the Coronavirus Relief Fund; and

WHEREAS, twelve (12) localities in the State of Florida ("State") received direct federal funds and NO city in Florida (except the combined city/county government of Jacksonville /Duval County) received direct funding; and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act appropriated nearly half a billion dollars ($474,085,078.50) to Miami-Dade County ("County"), making this the highest amount in direct federal funding to any eligible local government in the State as indicated in the attached and incorporated list of Payments to States and Eligible Units of Local Governments; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Miami ("City") is one of the seven most populous cities within the Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the City has taken unprecedented steps in response to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our community to include hosting various feeding distributions that have served residents from the County; and
WHEREAS, the City has experienced unforeseen financial needs and risks created by the COVID-19 pandemic public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, other units of local government within the County have also experienced unforeseen financial needs and risks created by the COVID-19 pandemic public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, in conversations with the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, the County committed to transferring CARES Act funds to units of local government within the County; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Miami Mayor and Council by a majority vote deems this Resolution to be of an emergency nature in order to immediately protect the public health, welfare, and safety of the City’s residents; and

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

Section 1. Recital. The recitals and findings contained in the Preamble to this Resolution are adopted by reference and incorporated as it fully set forth in this section.

Section 2. The Mayor and Council Urges. The City of North Miami urges Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez and the Board of County Commissioners to transfer CARES Act funds to the City and to other units of local government within the County based on population and rates of COVID-19.

Section 3. Transmittal. The City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez and the Board of County Commissioners.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a ___5-0____ vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this ___9th__ day of ___June______, 2020.
ATTEST:

VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILWOMAN KEYS AND VICE MAYOR DESULME

Moved by: ______ Galvin _______
Seconded by: ______ Keys _______

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

X (Yes) ______ (No)
X (Yes) ______ (No)
X (Yes) ______ (No)
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X (Yes) ______ (No)