

Office of the Mayor and Town Council

Robert "BJ" Duncan Council Member

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council

From: Council Member Robert "BJ" Duncan, Seat 1

Date: June 19, 2019

Re: Changing the Number of Youth Council Committee Members and

Reappointing Members to the Youth Council Committee

REQUEST

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION 12-63 CHANGING THE NUMBER OF YOUTH COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEMBERS; REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE YOUTH COUNCIL COMMITTEE AS PROVIDED IN EXHIBIT A; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

As a newly election member of the Town Council, I became the Town Council Liaison to the Youth Council Committee. The Committee was formed via Resolution 12-63 to consist of ten (10) members (two appointed by each Council Member) to be appointed by the Town Council and one (1) member to be appointed by the School District.

It is evident that although students wish to participate, due to school, family and home commitments and other reasons, students are not always able to attend monthly meetings. With such a large number of appointed members, it is difficult to obtain a quorum of members present at a meeting in order to conduct business.

Each year, several of the members graduate from high school and new members are appointed to take their place. Since now is when the Town Council would be looking to fill the vacancies and have not yet done so, this is a good opportunity to limit the number of committee members to five (5) appointed by the Town Council rather than ten (10) members appointed by the Town Council. By removing the five graduating senior seats, there are now five (5) remaining members. Mayor Meerbott and Vice Mayor Loyzelle still have two (2) appointees each, while Council Member Coriat and Council Member Duncan have no appointees. In no particular order, the second appointees of Mayor Meerbott and Vice Mayor Loyzelle were reallocated to Council Member Coriat and Council Member Duncan giving each Council Member one (1) appointee. The change is reflected in "Exhibit A" to the resolution. There is no change to the School District appointee.



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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Town Council adopt the Resolution, amending Resolution 12-63 changing the number of students appointed to the Youth Council Committee and redistributing the remaining appointments equally amongst the Council Members in order to accomplish the change.