

RESOLUTION NO. 20-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, URGING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MAYOR CARLOS A. GIMENEZ AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO TRANSFER CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT DIRECT FEDERAL FUNDS RECEIVED BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY AND TO OTHER UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT WITHIN THE COUNTY BASED ON POPULATION AND RATES OF COVID-19 CASES; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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 the 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 (Exhibit “A”); and

WHEREAS, the Town of Cutler Bay (the “Town”) has taken unprecedented steps in response to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our community to include assisting with the setup of a testing and feeding sites that have served residents from the County, increasing police patrols and enforcing State, County and Town Emergency Orders, and County curfews; and

WHEREAS, the Town 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 Town Council finds that this Resolution is in the best interest of the public health, welfare, and safety of the Town's residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. **Recitals.** The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. **Urging Miami-Dade County.** That the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Cutler Bay urge the County Mayor 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 cases.

Section 3. **Transmittal.** The Town Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners.

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

PASSED and ADOPTED this ____ day of June, 2020.

Attest:

TIM MEERBOTT
Mayor

DEBRA E. EASTMAN, MMC
Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE
SOLE USE OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY:

WEISS SEROTA HELFMAN
COLE & BIERMAN, P.L.
Town Attorney

Moved By: _____
Seconded By: _____

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:

Mayor Tim Meerbott _____

Vice Mayor Sue Ellen Loyzelle _____

Council Member Robert “BJ” Duncan _____

Council Member Michael P. Callahan _____

Council Member Roger Coriat _____