

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 25-XXXX**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA SUPPORTING THE CODESIGNATION OF THAT PORTION OF STATE ROAD 959/SW 57<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE FROM SW 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET TO SW 24<sup>TH</sup> STREET AS “WAYNE RUSSELL AND JIMMY FABBRICATORE WAY.”

**WHEREAS**, Duffy’s Tavern, located at 2108 SW 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue, has been a beloved establishment and gathering place for City residents since it opened in 1955; and

**WHEREAS**, Duffy’s Tavern is a landmark where City residents have gone for generations to cheer on their home teams, from Coral Gables’ own University of Miami Hurricanes to the Miami Dolphins, Miami Heat, Miami Marlins, and Inter Miami; and

**WHEREAS**, Wayne Russell and James “Jimmy” Fabbriatore have been the owners/operators of Duffy’s Tavern for over 40 years and have helped cement Duffy’s as a household name in the City; and

**WHEREAS**, in honor of Mr. Russell and Mr. Fabbriatore’s contributions to the South Florida community, the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. R-778-25 on July 16, 2025, supporting the codesignation of a portion of State Road 959/SW 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue from SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street to SW 24<sup>th</sup> Street as “Wayne Russell and Jimmy Fabbriatore Way,” urging the City of Coral Gables and City of West Miami to pass resolutions supporting the codesignation, and urging the Florida Legislature to codesignate that same portion of State Road 959/SW 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, section 334.071(3), Florida Statutes, provides that the erection of markers for a state road designation shall be contingent upon the appropriate city or county commission passing a resolution in support of the designation, and for roads located in more than one city or county, resolutions supporting the designation must be passed by each affected local government; and

**WHEREAS**, because that portion of State Road 959/SW 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue from SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street to SW 24<sup>th</sup> Street forms the dividing line between the City, West Miami, and unincorporated Miami-Dade County, the City’s support is necessary for the codesignation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission wishes to recognize Mr. Russell’s and Mr. Fabbriatore’s significant contributions to the City by supporting the proposed codesignation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:**

**SECTION 1.** That the foregoing “WHEREAS” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Commission hereby supports the codesignation of that portion of State Road 959/SW 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue from SW 8th Street to SW 24th Street as “Wayne Russell and Jimmy Fabbriatore Way.”

**SECTION 3.** That the City Clerk is directed to transmit certified copies of this Resolution to the Governor, the Senate President, the House Speaker, the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation, the County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, the Mayor and City Commission of the City of West Miami, the Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation, and the Clerk of the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners.

**SECTION 4.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF AUGUST 2025.

Moved: / Seconded:

Yeas:

Unanimous:

Agenda Item:

APPROVED:

VINCE LAGO  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

BILLY Y. URQUIA  
CITY CLERK

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CITY ATTORNEY

