

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-155

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION DIRECTING STAFF TO RECONVENE THE SCHOOL SAFETY TASK FORCE AND WORK WITH THE SCHOOLS IN THE CITY TO REASSESS AND REVIEW ONGOING SAFETY MEASURES AND UPDATE THE BEST PRACTICES MANUAL AS NEEDED.

WHEREAS, on March 28th, 2018, the City Commission adopted Resolution 2018-96 directing City staff to visit private charter schools in the area and assess their safety measures; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to Resolution 2018-96, the City created a Coral Gables Private School “Task Force”, as Miami-Dade County Public Schools were outside of our jurisdiction, to analyze, prepare, and develop a Best Practices Manual with the goal of enhancing private school and community safety within Coral Gables; and

WHEREAS, the Task Force visited all private schools within the City and completed a security assessment in collaboration with the respective schools; and

WHEREAS, on August 16th, 2018, the Task Force completed their Best Practices Manual, which was subsequently sent to all Commissioners and schools within the City; and

WHEREAS, it has been over 4 years since the original Task Force was convened and given the changing security needs of our community and the City Commission’s continued commitment to the safety of our youth, the City Commission desires to reconvene the Task Force to evaluate the changes implemented in 2018 and determine what changes can be implemented to further strengthen the security measures in our schools;

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

SECTION 1. The foregoing “Whereas” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. The City Commission does hereby direct staff to reconvene the Task Force, meet with all private schools in the area, reassess the school’s security measures, revise the Best Practices Manual as needed, and provide any updates and resources to our schools to strengthen their security measures.

SECTION 3. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, then said holding shall in no way affect the validity of any remaining portions of this Resolution.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF MAY, A.D., 2022.


(Moved: Fors, Jr. / Seconded: Menendez)

(Yeas: Fors, Jr., Mena, Menendez, Anderson, Lago)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote)


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