

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017-147**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES REAFFIRMING ITS OPPOSITION TO THE FEDERAL LEGISLATION ALLOWING FOR THE POTENTIAL INCREASE IN TRUCK WEIGHTS OR LENGTHS OPERATING ON FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY AND LOCAL ROADWAYS WITHIN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

**WHEREAS**, on October 25, 2011, the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables voted unanimously to pass resolution number 2011-262; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Coral Gables continues to be concerned with attempts being made at the federal level to increase the size, weight and allowable number of trailers beyond the capacity of existing road infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, bigger and heavier trucks cause greater acceleration of the deterioration of the State's highways, roads and bridges putting further pressure on local taxpayers to fund infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the investments in our Local, County, State and Federal road systems have not kept up with increased traffic levels, current funding for roads and bridges across all government levels in the state is inadequate and investments by local governments have been curbed by cuts in municipal state aide, county state aide and a shrinking federal highway fund; and

**WHEREAS**, an increase in weight and length truck will not only damage current infrastructure but also increase local noise pollution and will pose an increased safety risk; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Coral Gables, along with many municipal associations, strongly opposes all legislation that attempts to shift costs and liability of private businesses on to local governments and threatens local control of local roads;

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

**SECTION 1.** That 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 the City of Coral Gables opposes any potential legislation that seeks to increase truck size or weight, including pilot projects, beyond the capacity of our road systems and putting Florida highways, roads and bridges at risk of increased damage or deterioration.

**SECTION 3.** That the City of Coral Gables Clerk send a copy of the signed resolution to our Congressional delegation as well as the President of the United States and the United States Secretary of Transportation.

**SECTION 4.** That said resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS THIRTEENTH DAY OF JUNE, A.D., 2017.

(Moved: Keon / Seconded: Quesada)

(Yeas: Keon, Lago, Mena, Quesada, Valdes-Fauli)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote)

(Agenda Item: C-3)

APPROVED:



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MAYOR

ATTEST:



WALTER J. FOEMAN  
CITY CLERK

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