

# City of Coral Gables CITY COMMISSION MEETING March 14, 2023

### **ITEM TITLE:**

#### Resolution.

A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida expressing its support for public safety responses to declared states of emergency. (Sponsored by Vice Mayor Mena)

#### **BRIEF HISTORY:**

From time to time, the State of Florida experiences mass destruction from weather-related natural disasters, as well as from other incidents that require a public safety response that exceeds the capability of the affected jurisdiction. The State of Florida has a comprehensive Emergency Response Plan initiated and executed through the Florida Division of Emergency Management when needed to respond anywhere in the State. The Governor of the State can declare a "State of Emergency" statewide or locally to activate many different agencies through the Florida Division of Emergency Management to respond prior to and well after the said emergency occurs.

The City of Coral Gables historically has been part of these responses both locally and nationally through its Police Department, Fire Department, and other resources to assist in the recovery and continuity of public safety in those affected communities throughout the State and nation.

The proposed resolution supports this ongoing participation and partnership of mutual aid throughout Florida and other states and directs the City Manager to exercise his authority to consult with the Fire and Police Chiefs, and any other City resources, to evaluate appropriate requests for assistance and to respond as the City Manager deems appropriate.

### **ATTACHMENT(S):**

## 1. Draft Resolution