CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA RESOLUTION NO. 2025-404

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA DIRECTING CITY STAFF TO NOTIFY THE CITY'S LOBBYIST TO INCLUDE AS PART OF THE CITY'S LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES A REQUEST TO THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION PROVIDING FOR ANADDITIONAL **HOMESTEAD** FOR **EXEMPTION** OF \$50,000 ALL **OUALIFIED** RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY OWNERS: PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables recognizes the increasing financial strain faced by many property owners, particularly those with limited or fixed incomes, as property values, and consequently ad valorem taxes, continue to rise due primarily to increases in land value rather than property improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission supports urging the Florida Legislature to consider establishing an additional \$50,000 homestead exemption for qualified residential property owners to help offset rising tax burdens and promote equitable tax relief; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to formally include this proposal as part of the City's legislative priorities for the upcoming state legislative session and direct staff to work with the City's lobbyist to pursue this matter on behalf of the residents of Coral Gables;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE 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 the adoption hereof.
- **SECTION 2.** The City Commission hereby directs the City Manager and staff to notify the City's lobbyist and take all necessary steps to include, as part of the City's legislative priorities, support for state legislation establishing an additional \$50,000 homestead exemption for qualified residential property owners.
- **SECTION 3.** That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS FOURTEENTH DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D., 2025.

(Moved: Anderson / Seconded: Fernandez)

(Yeas: Anderson, Castro, Fernandez, Lara, Lago)

(Unanimous; 5-0 Vote) (Non-Agenda Item)

APPROVED:

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MAYOR

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