

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ASSESS AND COLLECT FEES FOR PUBLIC, EDUCATIONAL AND GOVERNMENT ACCESS CHANNELS FROM ALL APPLICABLE CABLE AND VIDEO SERVICE PROVIDERS AS AUTHORIZED BY FL. STAT. §610.109(11); AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, public, educational and government (PEG) channels play a significant role in the City of Coral Gables;

WHEREAS, PEG channels televise local government meetings and serve as a unique and valuable resource for local information and discourse for the residents of the City of Coral Gables; and

WHEREAS, it is important to preserve PEG channels and funding for PEG channels, and to ensure that the channels continue to be available to the entire community to serve the residents of the City of Coral Gables; and

WHEREAS, Fl. Stat. §610.109(11) authorizes a municipality to require cable or video service providers to remit PEG support contributions in an amount equal to a lump-sum or recurring per-subscriber funding obligation as provided for in the incumbent's franchise that exists prior to July 1, 2007, until the earlier of the expiration of such incumbent provider's franchise agreement or July 1, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Fl. Stat. §610.109(11) sets forth the method for calculating the equivalent monthly per-subscriber amount to be paid by cable or video service providers within the City of Coral Gables that have been issued and hold a certificate of franchise authority from the Florida Department of State;

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

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 upon adoption hereof.

Section 2. The Commission hereby authorizes the City staff to pursue appropriate action to require that cable and video service providers within the City of Coral Gables remit PEG support fees as authorized by Fl. Stat. §610.109(11).

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS ELEVENTH DAY OF MAY, A.D., 2010.

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