

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018-68**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY'S ADMINISTRATION TO MAKE SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 562/HOUSE BILL 627 PART OF THE CITY'S LEGISLATIVE AGENDA AND URGING THE FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE TO ADOPT SENATE BILL 562/HOUSE BILL 627 OR SIMILAR LEGISLATION.

**WHEREAS**, on October 19, 2017, Senator Mayfield introduced Senate Bill 562;  
and

**WHEREAS**, on November 9, 2017, Representative Altman introduced the same bill as House Bill 627; and

**WHEREAS**, the full title of Senate Bill 562 and House Bill 627 is: "An act relating to regulation of smoking; amending s. 386.209, F.S.; authorizing municipalities and counties to further restrict smoking within the boundaries of certain public parks;" and

**WHEREAS**, the text of Senate Bill 562 and House Bill 627 allows for municipalities and counties to further restrict smoking within the boundaries of any public park they own as an exception to the state preemption on the regulation of smoking; and

**WHEREAS**, the protection of Home Rule powers is of utmost importance to the City of Coral Gables as Home Rule ensure the efficacy of local government in exercising governmental powers to address and protect the health, safety, and welfare of its residents and address matters of local concern; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission may wish to regulate smoking in its public parks in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the City's residents, businesses and visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Coral Gables Commission directs that the support of Senate Bill 562 and House Bill 627 be made part of the City's legislative agenda; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Coral Gables urges the Senate and the House of Representatives to adopt Senate Bill 562/House Bill 627 or similar legislation;

**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 upon adoption hereof.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Commission directs that support of Senate Bill 562/House Bill 627 or similar legislation be made part of the City’s legislative agenda.

**SECTION 3.** That the City Commission urges the Senate and House of Representatives to adopt Senate Bill 562 and House Bill 627 as they are good public policy.

**SECTION 4.** That the City Clerk is directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to the Florida League of Cities, Miami-Dade League of Cities, Miami-Dade County, the City’s legislative delegation, and neighboring municipalities.

**SECTION 5.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS THIRTEENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D., 2018.

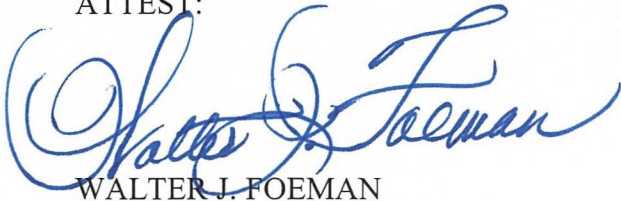
(Moved: Keon / Seconded: Mena)  
(Yeas: Keon, Lago, Mena, Valdes-Fauli)  
(Majority: (4-0) Vote)  
(Absent: Quesada)  
(Agenda Item: H-5)

APPROVED:



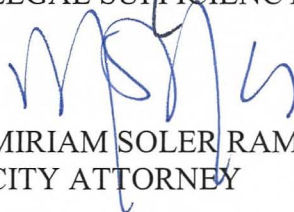
RAÚL VALDÉS-FAULI  
MAYOR

ATTEST:



WALTER J. FOEMAN  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS  
CITY ATTORNEY