

## **ITEM TITLE:**

A Resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida supporting the codesignation of that portion of State Road 959/SW 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue from SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street to SW 24<sup>th</sup> Street as "Wayne Russell and Jimmy Fabbricatore Way."

(Sponsored by Commissioner Lara)

## **BRIEF HISTORY:**

Duffy's Tavern, located at 2108 SW 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue, has been a beloved establishment and gathering place for City residents since it opened in 1955. Duffy's Tavern is a landmark where City residents have gone for generations to cheer on their home teams, from Coral Gables' own University of Miami Hurricanes to the Miami Dolphins, Miami Heat, Miami Marlins, and Inter Miami. Wayne Russell and James "Jimmy" Fabbricatore have been the owners/operators of Duffy's Tavern for over 40 years and have helped cement Duffy's as a household name in the City.

In honor of Mr. Russell and Mr. Fabbricatore's contributions to the South Florida community, the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. R-778-25 on July 16, 2025, supporting the codesignation of a portion of State Road 959/SW 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue from SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street to SW 24<sup>th</sup> Street as "Wayne Russell and Jimmy Fabbricatore Way," urging the City of Coral Gables and City of West Miami to pass resolutions supporting the codesignation, and urging the Florida Legislature to codesignate that same portion of State Road 959/SW 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Section 334.071(3), Florida Statutes, provides that the erection of markers for a state road designation shall be contingent upon the appropriate city or county commission passing a resolution in support of the designation, and for roads located in more than one city or county, resolutions supporting the designation must be passed by each affected local government. Because that portion of State Road 959/SW 57<sup>th</sup> Avenue from SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street to SW 24<sup>th</sup> Street forms the dividing line between the City, West Miami, and unincorporated Miami-Dade County, the City's support is necessary for the codesignation.

The City Commission wishes to recognize Mr. Russell's and Mr. Fabbricatore's significant contributions to the City by supporting the proposed codesignation.

## **ATTACHMENT(S):**

Resolution

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

No.	Amount	Account No.	Source of Funds
Fiscal Impact: N/A			