

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES AND THE MIAMI DADE BROADBAND COALITION FOR THE CITY TO PARTICIPATE AS A MEMBER TO IMPLEMENT A BROADBAND NETWORK INITIATIVE FOR SOUTH FLORIDA

BE IT RESOLVED OF THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

WHEREAS, the Miami Dade Broadband Coalition (MDBC) has applied for an \$82,000,000 grant from the \$7.2 billion of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) allocated to provide broadband access to underserved populations across Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the Knight Foundation has approved a \$900,000 grant for a pilot project providing broadband access to underserved communities in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the MDBC is to build and support an advanced, open, shared, high-speed broadband network that connects diverse stakeholders in order to collaborate and pool resources to create positive community transformation in the areas of education, healthcare, economic growth, jobs creation, digital inclusion, public safety and government efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the features and benefits of the broadband network are intended to (i) reduce costs and aggregate bandwidth; (ii) support public safety applications; (iii) share data center, application, archival system, and database resources; (iv) enable smart grid service; and (v) electronic health records exchange, research between institutions, and distance learning applications between educational institutions and students, and

WHEREAS, the City of Coral Gables wishes to participate as a member of the MDBC in order to advance its mission as well as utilize its features and benefits;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission authorize the City Manager to adopt the attached Memorandum of Understanding and that the City agrees to participate as a member of the MDBC in the implementation of a broadband network, transforming South Florida and

stimulating improvements in education, healthcare, economic growth, jobs creation, digital inclusion, public safety and government efficiency.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF October, A.D. 2009.

(Motion: made/second)
(0/0 Vote)

DONALD D. SLESNICK II
MAYOR

ATTEST:

WALTER FOEMAN
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

ELIZABETH M. HERNANDEZ
CITY ATTORNEY