

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA,
DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO INCLUDE A NEW LEGISLATIVE
PRIORITY TO ENCOURAGE THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO INCREASE THE
CURRENT PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR RESIDENTS WITH
QUALIFYING DISABILITIES AND FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW
PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS DIAGNOSED WITH
ALZHEIMER'S AND FOR LOW-INCOME CAREGIVERS**

WHEREAS, the State of Florida currently provides certain property tax exemptions for residents with qualifying disabilities, but this exemption amount has not kept pace with the rising costs of housing and living expenses; and

WHEREAS, individuals living with Alzheimer's often require extensive care and support, which can create additional financial burdens for themselves and their families; and

WHEREAS, caregivers who provide essential services and support to individuals with disabilities or Alzheimer's disease frequently do so at great personal and financial sacrifice, and many are limited in their ability to earn income due to their caregiving responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, increasing the amount of the current property tax exemptions for residents with qualifying disabilities and for those with Alzheimer's would provide much-needed financial relief, promote housing stability, and enhance quality of life for these individuals; and

WHEREAS, caregivers of individuals with disabilities provide essential support services that enable people with disabilities to remain in their homes and communities; and

WHEREAS, caregivers frequently experience financial hardship due to the demands of providing care, often limiting their ability to participate fully in the workforce or access economic opportunities; and

WHEREAS, providing a property tax exemption for caregivers with limited income would help alleviate the financial burdens often experienced by caregivers; and

WHEREAS, encouraging the State of Florida to adopt these measures aligns with the City's legislative priorities to support its vulnerable population.

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

SECTION 1. That the foregoing "Whereas" clause is hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and is hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager is directed to include a new legislative priority to encourage the State of Florida to increase the current property tax exemptions for residents with qualifying disabilities

and for the establishment of new property tax exemptions for individuals diagnosed with Alzheimer's and for low income caregivers.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, A.D., 2025.

APPROVED:

VINCE LAGO
MAYOR

ATTEST:

BILLY URQUIA
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL
SUFFICIENCY:

CRISTINA M. SUAREZ
CITY ATTORNEY