

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION 2019-**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO AMEND F.S. 163.08 TO ADD SEAWALL CONSTRUCTION AND OTHER FLOOD PROTECTION IMPROVEMENTS AS QUALIFYING IMPROVEMENTS FOR PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAMS

**WHEREAS**, the City of Coral Gables has been a member of Property Assessed Clean Energy (“PACE”) financing programs since 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, over two hundred projects have been completed in the City of Coral Gables with a value of over seven million dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, current regulations limit PACE improvements to improvements affixed to a building or facility that is part of the customer’s property and are limited to renewable energy improvements, wind resistance improvements, and energy conservation and efficiency improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, current qualified improvements include installation of solar photovoltaic systems, installation of hurricane impact windows, as well as various electrical upgrades; and

**WHEREAS**, given the numerous homes on waterways in the City of Coral Gables, and the potential for flooding and storm surge throughout the City, the City Commission urges the Florida Legislature to include seawall improvements, as well as other flood prevention improvements, as qualified improvements for PACE program funding.

**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 hereby urges the Florida Legislature to amend F.S. 163.08 and any other relevant statutes to allow seawall and other flood protection improvements as qualified improvements for PACE program funding, and to repeal the requirement that qualified improvements be affixed to a building or facility on the subject property.

**SECTION 3.** That the City Commission directs the City Clerk to send a certified copy of this resolution to the City’s delegation in the Florida Legislature.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS T\_\_\_\_\_ OF OCTOBER, A.D., 2019.  
(Moved: \_\_\_\_/ Seconded: \_\_\_\_\_)  
(Yeas:)  
(Unanimous:)  
(Non-Agenda Item)

APPROVED:

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CITY CLERK

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