

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-325**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION,  
DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO CEASE THE  
REGULAR USE OF PRODUCTS CONTAINING  
GLYPHOSATE BY CITY STAFF OR CITY  
CONTRACTORS.

**WHEREAS**, glyphosate is a broad-spectrum herbicide that is commonly used in landscape maintenance and can be found in products such as Roundup and Ranger Pro; and

**WHEREAS**, glyphosate is toxic to aquatic vegetation and wildlife, and does not break down quickly in water; and

**WHEREAS**, runoff from the excessive and improper use of herbicides containing glyphosate may be harmful to the waterways in Coral Gables and contribute to adverse effects in surface or ground water; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission has determined that it is in the best interest of the public healthy, safety, and welfare of the residents of the City for the City to cease the regular use of products containing glyphosate; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission understands that certain circumstances may require the City to use glyphosate on athletic fields and golf courses when eradicating existing turf prior to changing grass types or re-sodding is necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, all use of glyphosate by City employees and City contractors will be done pursuant to best management practices and under the supervision of appropriately licensed staff and contractors; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission directs the City Manager to cease the regular use of products containing glyphosate by all City staff or City Contractors in the performance of landscaping and maintenance work on all properties that are both owned and maintained by the City;

**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 directs the City Manager to cease the regular use of products containing glyphosate by the City or City contractors in the performance of landscaping and maintenance work on all properties both owned and maintained by the City with the understanding that certain circumstances may require the City or its contractors to use the products in accordance with best management practices.

**SECTION 3.** That the City Commission directs the City Manager that any policy shall not affect the current term of existing contracts, but for all contract extensions, renewals, and new contracts, the City Manager is directed to include specific language in all such contracts prohibiting the regular use of products containing glyphosate.

**SECTION 4.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SECOND DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D., 2019.

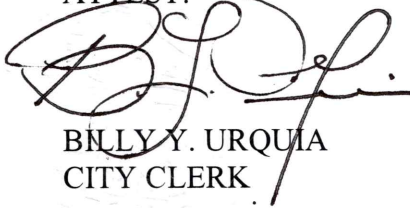
(Moved: Keon / Seconded: Lago)  
(Yeas: Mena, Fors, Jr., Keon, Lago, Valdes-Fauli)  
(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote)  
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APPROVED:



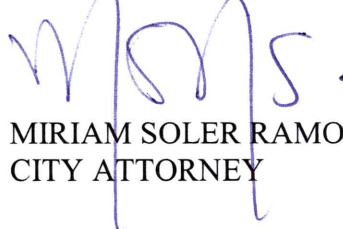
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MAYOR

ATTEST:



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CITY ATTORNEY