



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
March 20, 2018**

ITEM TITLE:

Resolution. A Resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida supporting the Resolution of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) supporting the use of the National Violent Death Reporting System. (Sponsored by Vice Mayor Keon)

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City of Coral Gables received communications from the International Association of Chiefs of Police (“IACP”) on pending legislative items and indicating the IACP’s stance on the policies being set forth by said legislation. Included with the communications is the IACP’s support for the use of the National Violent Death Reporting System.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS) collects data on violent deaths from a variety of sources, including law enforcement reports, death certificates, and medical examiner and coroner reports. Individually, these sources provide data that explain violence only in a narrow context. Together, these sources offer a comprehensive picture of the circumstances surrounding a homicide or suicide. As a result, NVDRS provides insight into the optimal points for intervention, thus informing and improving violence prevention efforts at the state and local levels to create healthier and safer communities.

The NVDRS seeks to link records on violent deaths that occurred in the same incident to help identify risk factors for multiple homicides or homicides-suicides; provide timely preliminary information on violent deaths (e.g., basic counts of murders and suicides) through faster data retrieval; describe in detail the circumstances that may have contributed to a violent death; and to better characterize perpetrators, including their relationships to victim(s).

This Resolution declares the City of Coral Gables’ support of the IACP’s stance supporting the use of the National Violent Death Reporting System.

EXHIBIT(S):

- A. Draft Resolution.