

ITEM TITLE:

A Resolution by the City Commission of Coral Gables in support of the Paris Climate Accord and reaffirming the City's commitment to the U.S. Mayors' National Climate Action Agenda.

BRIEF HISTORY:

On November 22, 2016, the City of Coral Gables signed an open letter to President Donald Trump, through the U.S. Mayors' National Climate Action Agenda, regarding "the greatest challenge of our time", climate change. By signing this letter, 71 cities expressed a commitment to set ambitious targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, set climate action, regularly report on progress, share lessons and hold each other accountable.

In light of the City's sustainability efforts thus far, and President Trump's withdrawal from the Paris Climate Accord, the City of Coral Gables passes this resolution to express its support for the Paris Climate Accord *and* to reaffirm its pledge to those commitments outlined in the November 22nd open letter; recognizing that the effects of climate change- extreme storms, sea level rise, storm surge and coastal erosion to name a few, are a clear and present danger to American interests both at home and abroad.

Attachments

1. Draft Resolution