CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-238

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES APPROVING SOLELY AS TO FORM AN INITIATIVE PETITION, PURSUANT TO SECTION 10 OF THE CITY CHARTER, PROPOSING AN ORDINANCE THAT THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES SHALL EXERCISE ALL OF ITS CONTRACTUAL AUTHORITY TO REMOVE OR MOVE THE SCULPTURES PRESENTLY LOCATED ON THE SEGOVIA TRAFFIC CIRCLES AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF SEGOVIA STREET AND BILTMORE WAY AND SEGOVIA STREET AND CORAL WAY, AT CITY TAXPAYERS' EXPENSE IF NECESSARY.

WHEREAS, on October 25, 2016 a committee of petitioners submitted to the City Commission a form of initiative petition, attached as Exhibit A, proposing an ordinance that the City of Coral Gables shall exercise all of its contractual authority to remove or move the sculptures presently located on the Segovia Traffic Circles at the intersections of Segovia Street and Biltmore Way and Segovia Street and Coral Way, at City taxpayers' expense if necessary; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that the form of the initiative petition complies with the requirements of section 10 of the City Charter;

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

- **SECTION 1.** That 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 initiative petition attached as <u>Exhibit A</u> (including form amendments approved by the Commission) is approved as to form. The counsel for the committee of petitioners agreed to the amendments to the form.
- **SECTION 3.** That the City Attorney and the Historic Preservation Officer shall prepare a neutral fact sheet to be published on the City's website regarding the sculptures and the agreement between the City and the artist, to be approved by the City Attorney with the agreement of counsel for the committee of petitioners. The committee of petitioners have proffered that each petition circulator will have copies of the fact sheet to provide to those who request information.
- **SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE**. This Resolution shall become effective October 27, 2016.

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

2016.

(Moved: Quesada / Seconded: Lago)

(Yeas: Keon, Lago, Quesada, Slesnick, Cason)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote) (Agenda Item: F-1)

APPROVED:

JACASON MAYOR

ATTEST:

WALTER J. POEN

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CRAIG E. LEEN CITY ATTORNEY We, as residents and registered voters of Coral Gables (The City Beautiful), wish to convey our dissatisfaction with the sculptures located on the Segovia and Biltmore Way/Coral Way circles. While we respect Alice Aycock's talents, we believe the sculptures are not in keeping with the aesthetic George Merrick envisioned and we would like to see maintained. Therefore, we support adoption of the following proposed ordinance pursuant to the initiative process set forth in section 10 of the City Charter:

"The City of Coral Gables shall exercise all of its contractual authority to remove or move the sculptures presently located on the Segovia traffic circles at the intersections of Segovia Street and Biltmore Way and Segovia Street and Coral Way, at City taxpayers' expense if necessary."

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Committee of Petitioners: 1. Olga M. Ramudo, 625 Alhambra Circle, Coral Gables, FL; 2. Susan Rodriguez, 900 Coral Way, Coral Gables, FL; 3. Edmundo Perez-de Cobos, 626 Coral Way, Apt. 1103, Coral Gables, FL; 4. Lynette Lorenzen, 536 Navarre Ave, Coral Gables, FL; 5. Eric Aserlind, 6304 Caballero Blvd, Coral Gables, FL

Affidavit of Petition Circulator

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County of)					
BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared					
who, after being first by me duly sworn, deposes and states that he/she and he/she					
only, personally circulated the foregoing paper, and that all signatures appended					
thereto were made in his/her presence and are the genuine signatures of the persons					
whose names they purport to be.					
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Notary Public, State of					
My commission expires:					