## CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2019-320**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY IN SUPPORT OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER **SERVICES** COMMISSIONER NICOLE "NIKKI" FRIED'S LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE OF BILLS TO ADDRESS EFFICIENCY, ENERGY CLIMATE CHANGE. RESILIENCY, AND CLEAN ENERGY RESEARCH.

WHEREAS, on October 3, 2019 Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Commissioner Nicole "Nikki" Fried announced a legislative package of bills aimed at addressing energy efficiency, climate change, resiliency, and clean energy research; and

WHEREAS, the City of Coral Gables has a strong commitment to sustainability and green initiatives, as demonstrated through City Commission resolutions, the City's white paper on sea level rise, and the City's long-term commitment to encouraging solar energy and electric vehicles; and

WHEREAS, some of Commissioner Fried's legislative proposals include creating an inventory of greenhouse gas emissions for state-owned buildings, expanding a farm renewable and efficiency demonstration program, and offering a competitive grant program for climate adaptation research; and

WHEREAS, additional legislative proposals from Commissioner Fried include creating a nationally-recognized clean energy research center, allowing the state to lease man-made stormwater management systems to utilities and developers for floating solar arrays, as well as studies on energy burdens on low-income communities, and infrastructure improvements, and a utility grid pilot project; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to express its support for Commissioner Fried's legislative package of bills and incorporate Commissioner Fried's legislative proposals into the City's legislative priorities for the upcoming legislative session;

## 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 City Commission supports Commissioner Fried's proposed legislative package and wants to add those proposals to the City's legislative priorities for the upcoming legislative session.

**SECTION 3.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein and remains in full force and effect until supplemented, amended, repealed or otherwise altered.

**SECTION 4.** That the City Clerk is hereby directed to send a certified copy of the Resolution to the City's Congressional delegation.

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

(Moved: Keon / Seconded: Lago)

(Yeas: Keon, Lago, Mena, Fors, Jr., Valdes-Fauli)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote) (Agenda Item: G-7)

APPRØVED:

RAČL-VALDÉS-FAULI

MAYOR

APPRØVED AS TO FORM

AND/LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

BILLYY. URQUIA

CITY CLERK

ATTEST:

MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS

CITY ATTORNEY