CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-35

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE "ALL VOTERS VOTE IN PRIMARY ELECTIONS FOR STATE LEGISLATURE, GOVERNOR, AND CABINET" CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT INITIATIVE.

WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters of Florida notes that Florida is one of only nine states in the country that has closed primaries and that the current system may prevent 3.4 million registered voters from being including in primary voting because they have no party affiliation or are members of a minority party; and

WHEREAS, there is a proposed constitutional amendment going through the initiative process which is proposed for inclusion in the November 2020 general election ballot; and

WHEREAS, the proposed constitutional amendment would let all registered voters vote in the primary election for the Florida Legislature, Governor, and Cabinet, regardless of the political party affiliation of the voter or candidate; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment currently has 776,144 valid signatures in support of the amendment, and has the support of the League of Women Voters of Florida;

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 expresses its support for the "All Voters Vote in Primary Elections for State Legislature, Governor, and Cabinet, #19-07" constitutional amendment which will be on the November 2020 general election ballot.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS ELEVENTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D., 2020.

(Moved: Keon / Seconded: Lago)

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

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

APPROVED:

RAUL VALDES-FAULI MAYOR

ATTEST:

BILLY Y. URQUIA CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

LEGAL SUPPLEIENCY.

MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS CITY ATTORNEY