RESOLUTION NO. 16-

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA REQUESTING THAT THE MIAMI-DADE EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY (MDX) MOVE FORWARD WITH INCORPORATING NEW SR 924/GRATIGNY PARKWAY ACCESS RAMPS TO AND FROM NW 67TH AVENUE IN TO THE MIAMI-DADE **METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)** LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN, MDX'S MASTER TRANSPORTATION PLAN, AND MDX'S FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PROVIDING TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES; FOR TRANSMITTAL DIRECTIONS TO THE TOWN CLERK; **PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority ("MDX") identified SR 924/Gratigny Parkway (the "Gratigny") access ramps to and from NW 67th Avenue as a minor project in the MDX Strategic Plan; and

WHEREAS, NW 67th Avenue is an important North-South thoroughfare that allows access to the Town of Miami Lakes (the "Town"), its neighborhoods, Town Center, the Palmetto Expressway on the North side and the City of Hialeah on the South side, but has no access to the Gratigny; and

WHEREAS, MDX has identified an extension of the Gratigny to the West connecting to the Turnpike and is studying an Eastern connection to I-95 to provide an East-West corridor in the Northern part of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the construction of access ramps to and from NW 67th Avenue would serve a large section of the Town, with additional expressway access relieving congestion and allowing convenient access to the Town's residents, visitors, and businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Expression of Support. The Town Council hereby expresses its full support to MDX to continue its efforts to move forward with an access ramp connection of SR

924/Gratigny Parkway and 67th Avenue, and welcomes the establishment of a partnership with the Town of Miami Lakes to implement these mobility improvements.

<u>Section 3. Transmittal Directions to Clerk.</u> The Town Clerk is directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Executive Director of the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority and the Governing Board of the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

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Passed and adopted this 3rd day of May, 2016.

The foregoing resolution was moved by _____. The motion was seconded

by ______ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Michael A. Pizzi, Jr.	
Vice Mayor Tim Daubert	
Councilmember Manny Cid	
Councilmember Tony Lama	
Councilmember Ceasar Mestre	
Councilmember Frank Mingo	
Councilmember Nelson Rodriguez	

Michael A. Pizzi, Jr. MAYOR

Attest:

Gina Inguanzo TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Raul Gastesi, Jr. Gastesi & Associates, P.A. TOWN ATTORNEY