

**RESOLUTION NO. 20 - \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, PETITIONING THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MAYOR TO ALLOW THE TOWN TO RESUME LIVE COUNCIL MEETINGS; ESTABLISHING A RETURN DATE FOR LIVE, COUNCIL MEETINGS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE TOWN CLERK; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (RUANO/DIEGUEZ)**

**WHEREAS**, during the April 30, 2020, Town of Miami Lakes (the “Town”) Council Special Call Meeting, the Town Council discussed the resumption of live, in person, Town Council Meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to stop the spread of COVID-19, to protect the public welfare and in the interest of public safety, Miami-Dade County and the Town promulgated and adopted orders closing government buildings to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-69, which suspended the physical presence quorum requirement for public meetings, and providing authority for virtual meetings via communication media technology; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town believes that live, in person Town Council Meetings are in the Town’s best interest; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town urges the Governor of the State of Florida and the Mayor for Miami-Dade County to allow the Town to resume live, in person Town Council Meetings as soon as possible.

**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. Supporting the Reopening of Live, In Person Council Meetings As Soon as Possible, and Requesting the Reopening of Town Council** The Town Council supports the reopening of Town Chambers for Town Council Meeting as soon as current restrictions are lifted. The Town Council formally requests that the Governor of the State of Florida and the Mayor of Miami-Dade County give every possible consideration to allow the resumption of live, in person Council Meetings to resume as soon as possible.

**Section 4. Instructions for the Clerk to Submit Copy of Resolution to the Governor of the State of Florida and the Mayor of Miami Dade County.** The Town Clerk is hereby authorized to submit a copy of this Resolution to the Governor of the State of Florida and the Mayor of Miami-Dade County, and any other government official necessary to carry out the Council's intent.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

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Passed and adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> of May, 2020

The foregoing resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_ who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Manny Cid \_\_\_\_\_

Vice Mayor Nelson Rodriguez \_\_\_\_\_

Councilmember Carlos O. Alvarez \_\_\_\_\_

Councilmember Luis Collazo \_\_\_\_\_

Councilmember Josh Dieguez \_\_\_\_\_

Councilmember Jeffrey Rodriguez \_\_\_\_\_

Councilmember Marilyn Ruano \_\_\_\_\_

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Manny Cid  
MAYOR

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Gina Inguanzo  
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

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Raul Gastesi, Jr.  
Gastesi, Lopez and Mestre, PLLC  
TOWN ATTORNEY