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**CITY OF MIRAMAR
MIRAMAR, FLORIDA**

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIRAMAR, FLORIDA SUPPORTING AND CALLING FOR AN IMMEDIATE CEASEFIRE AND AN END TO THE VIOLENCE BETWEEN ISRAEL AND PALESTINE; SUPPORTING PEACE AND SECURITY FOR ALL INNOCENT CIVILIANS IN ISRAEL AND PALESTINE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Miramar is home to people of diverse nationalities, ethnicities, and faiths for whom the current conflict in the Middle East has a real and personal impact; and

WHEREAS, residents in Broward County currently represent 208 countries and speak 181 languages that include American Muslims and Jews in the County's growing diversity; and

WHEREAS, incidents of anti-Arab, anti-Muslim, xenophobic, and anti-Semitic bigotry and violence are on the rise and poses a significant threat to the well-being and safety of our diverse communities and Americans; and

WHEREAS, all human life is precious, and all people, both in Miramar and abroad, have a right to be respected and feel safe; and

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WHEREAS, on October 7, 2023, an act of terror was perpetrated by Hamas against civilians in Israel, resulting in the death of civilians, security personnel, Israel Defense Forces, and police as well as the detainment and continued detainment of hostages, whose communities, including our own, still await their release; and

WHEREAS, since October 7, 2023, and the ongoing decades long conflict, the Israeli bombing of Gaza has limited most humanitarian aid and has claimed the lives of at least 35,000 Palestinians, injured the population of Gaza, and has put thousands more people at risk of death from starvation, unsanitary conditions, and lack of healthcare; and

WHEREAS, both the United Nations General Assembly and it's Security Council, in a near unanimous vote, called for an immediate and sustained humanitarian ceasefire; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission is committed to promoting peace, safety, and acceptance; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has decided that the City of Miramar will serve as a foundation for promoting peace, acceptance, and unity by urging an immediate and permanent end to all hostilities and the immediate release of all hostages and political prisoners.

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

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Section 2. **Support.** The City Commission supports an immediate end to all hostilities in Israel, Gaza, and Occupied Palestinian Territories; the freeing of all hostages from Hamas and the freeing of all administrative detainees held by Israel, lifting all barriers and blockades, to the provision of humanitarian assistance at scale to meet the full needs of the population of Gaza, in line with international law, the resumption of U.S. funding of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency, the rebuilding of the schools, homes, mosques, churches, and other structures destroyed in this conflict, enforcement of US and international laws requiring Israel and all recipients of US military assistance comply with human rights standards and international humanitarian law, and the beginning of a process of repair and reconciliation for all impacted by the violence in the region including the advancement of safety and dignity for all Israelis and Palestinians.

Section 3. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

Section 4. The City Clerk is directed to send copies of this Resolution to the President of the United States and the Florida Congressional Delegate.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Mayor, Wayne M. Messam

Vice Mayor, Alexandra P. Davis

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Denise A. Gibbs

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have approved
this RESOLUTION as to form:

City Attorney,
Austin Pamies Norris Weeks Powell, PLLC

<u>Requested by Mayor Messam</u>	<u>Voted</u>
Commissioner Winston F. Barnes	_____
Commissioner Maxwell B. Chambers	_____
Commissioner Yvette Colbourne	_____
Vice Mayor Alexandra P. Davis	_____
Mayor Wayne M. Messam	_____

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