RESOLUTION 07 - 23

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 06-75 WHICH URGED MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO AUTHORIZE THE RENAMING OF NW 107TH AVENUE FROM NW 25TH STREET TO NW 41ST STREET AS "PERRY ELLIS WAY;" TO CODESIGNATE NW 107TH AVENUE FROM NW 25TH STREET TO NW 41ST STREET AS "GEORGE FELDENKREIS WAY" CONSISTENT WITH A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE MIAMIDADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Doral adopted Resolution No. 06-75 which urged Miami-Dade County to authorize the renaming of NW 107th Avenue from NW 25th Street to NW 41st Street as "Perry Ellis Way;" and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend Resolution No. 06-75 by codesignating NW 107th Avenue from NW 25th Street to NW 41st Street as "George Feldenkreis Way" consistent with a Resolution adopted by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, George Feldenkreis, a Cuban lawyer of Ukrainian descent, came to the United States in 1961 and started a small apparel wholesale company named "Supreme International" in 1967 as an importer of guayabera shirts; and

WHEREAS, Supreme's rapid expansion led to the acquisition of Perry Ellis International in April 1999; and

WHEREAS, for his entrepreneurial savvy and business successes, Mr. Feldenkreis was awarded "Business Man of the Year" in 1998 by Ernst &

Young. According to Forbes magazine, Perry Ellis International ranks among the 200 best small companies in America; and

WHEREAS, while it is his accomplishments as a businessman that have brought him public recognition, his biggest achievement has been as a dedicated community leader. He supports numerous organizations, including the Jewish Federation; he received the "Lincoln-Marti" award for his role in the Cuban Refuge Program; and, he has been honored with the "David Ben-Gurion Award," sponsored by the State of Israel and Temple Beth EI; and

WHEREAS, a member of the University of Miami's Board of Trustees since 1997, Mr. Feldenkreis has supported such efforts as "Project: New Born," "Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center," and scholarships for student-athletes; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, Mr. Feldenkreis established the "George Feldenkreis Endowment Fund," which created the "George Feldenkreis Distinguished Scholar," a permanent professorship in the Sue and Leonard Miller Center for Contemporary Judaic Studies; and

WHEREAS, established in 1998, the Sue and Leonard Miller Center for Contemporary Judaic Studies is the only university-located academic and research center in the United States to focus primarily on twentieth and twenty-first century Jewish studies as well as trends affecting the future of the Jewish people; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA THAT:

<u>Section 1</u>. The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Doral finds that George Feldenkreis has made a direct, significant lifetime contribution to this community.

Section 3. The City Council of the City of Doral joins the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners in codesignating NW 107th Avenue from NW 25th Street to NW 41st Street as "George Feldenkreis Way."

<u>Section 4.</u> The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to transmit this Resolution to Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz and to the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners.

<u>Section 5.</u> This resolution shall become effective upon its passage and adoption by the City Council.

WHEREAS, a motion to approve the Resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Cabrera who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman DiPietro and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez
Vice Mayor Peter Cabrera
Councilmember Michael DiPietro
Councilwoman Sandra Ruiz
Councilmember Robert Van Name
Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 25th day of April, 2007.

JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYOR

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BARBARA HERRERA, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE SOLE USE OF THE CITY OF DORAL:

JOHN J. HEARN, CITY ATTORNEY