

RESOLUTION NO. 11- 21

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A DORAL COMMUNITY AND FAITH BASED CHARITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, community charities and religious-sponsored charities have cared for many of the City of Doral's neediest citizens and historically have been indispensable in serving Doral's most underprivileged children, families and neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the City of Doral (the "City") recognizes the important contribution of community charities and religious-sponsored charities and welcomes them as partners; and

WHEREAS, there are many opportunities for community charities and religious-sponsored charities to partner with the City to deliver services more effectively than either can accomplish separately; and

WHEREAS, these services include, but are not limited to, caring for the elderly, providing educational assistance to Doral's disadvantaged students, curbing crime, addressing homelessness, conquering substance abuse, strengthening families and neighborhoods, and overcoming poverty; and

WHEREAS, many beneficial opportunities may be lost if community charities and religious-sponsored charities are not aware of opportunities to participate with the City in serving Doral's citizens; and

WHEREAS, government may neither advance, nor inhibit, religious expression, nor endorse any particular type of religion over another religion or non-religion, but must also not discriminate against the provision of services by community charities or religious-sponsored charities who are otherwise qualified to provide services; and

WHEREAS, it is beneficial to encourage communication between the City and community charities and religious-sponsored charities, recognizing that City government can do a better job of providing information to, partnering with, learning from and encouraging the best practices of community charities and religious-sponsored charities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above and foregoing recitals are true and correct.

Section 2. The Council hereby establishes the Doral Community and Faith-Based Charities Advisory Committee ("Committee") in order to help the City of Doral coordinate efforts to utilize and expand opportunities for community and religious-sponsored charities to address social needs in the City of Doral. The Committee's recommendations shall be in an advisory capacity only. The Committee shall encourage the participation of the citizens, residents and businesses of the City of Doral.

Section 3. The Committee shall advise the City Council on policies, priorities and objectives for the City's comprehensive effort to enlist, enable and

expand the work of community charities, religious-sponsored charities and other volunteer organizations. The duties of the Committee are to determine:

- (A) How best to encourage private charitable giving to support community needs;
- (B) How best to bring concerns, ideas and policy options to the City Council for assisting and supporting successful community charities and religious-sponsored charities;
- (C) How best to showcase and publicize innovative grassroots non-profit organizations and civic initiatives; and
- (D) How best to ensure that the efforts of community and religious-sponsored charities meet objective criteria for performance and accountability.

Section 4. The Committee shall be composed of seven (7) members, all of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor. Appointees may include, but shall not be limited to, representatives from community charities, religious-sponsored charities, foundations, corporations and municipalities. The Mayor shall fill any vacancy occurring on the Committee. All members shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor. The initial appointment of Committee members shall be made within sixty (60) days after adoption of this Resolution. Committee members serve without compensation. Should any Committee member miss three (3) consecutive meetings, whether regular or special meetings, that member will automatically be disqualified as a member of the Committee and the Mayor shall immediately appoint a successor for the balance of the unexpired term.

Section 5. The members of the Committee shall elect a chair, vice-chair and secretary. The chair, or, in the absence of the chair, the vice-chair, shall

preside at all meetings and may vote. The City Manager shall designate staff to advise and provide clerical support to the Committee. The Committee shall meet at least once per month at a date and time established by the Committee, unless there is no business pending. A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum, and the affirmative vote of a majority of those members present shall be required to take official action.

Section 6. The Committee shall, at the Regular Council Meeting in June, 2011, and annually thereafter, provide to the City Council a written report containing recommended policies, priorities and objectives for the City's comprehensive effort to enlist, enable and support the work of volunteer, religious-sponsored and other community charities and programs. The first report shall include annual performance indicators and measurable objectives for City action. Each report filed thereafter shall measure the City of Doral's performance against the objectives set forth in the initial report.

Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Councilman Boria who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cabrera and upon being put to a vote, the vote was follows:

Councilman Pete Cabrera	Yes
Councilwoman Ana Maria Rodriguez	Yes
Councilman Luigi Boria	Yes
Vice Mayor Michael DiPietro	Yes
Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez	Yes

PASSED and ADOPTED this 9th day of February, 2011.



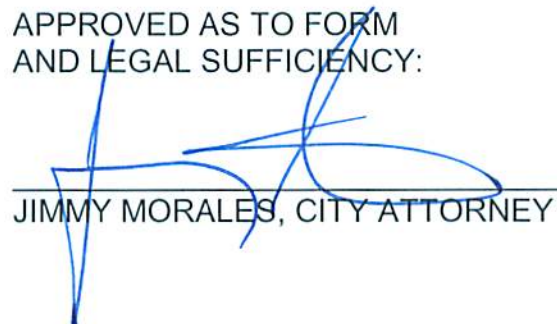
JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BARBARA HERRERA, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



JIMMY MORALES, CITY ATTORNEY