

RESOLUTION No. 2005 – 78

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA IN SUPPORT OF THE CREATION OF A “GREEN LIGHT FOR RED LIGHT CAMERAS’ COALITION AMONG LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN FLORIDA TO CALL FOR THE FLORIDA STATE LEGISLATURE TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF RED LIGHT CAMERAS FOR TRAFFIC SAFETY BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS SO AS TO PROVIDE FOR THE SAFETY OF MOTORISTS BY REDUCING LIFE-THREATENING RED LIGHT RUNNING AND MODERNIZING TECHNOLOGY AT SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, entering an intersection after the light has turned red, or “red light running” is one of the major causes of crashes, deaths, and injuries at signalized intersections; and

WHEREAS, the monetary impact of crashes to our society is approximately \$14 billion annually; and

WHEREAS, numerous studies illustrate that the use of red light cameras to issue traffic citations reduces crashes in signalized intersections; and

WHEREAS, the Federal highway Administration promotes red light cameras as a viable strategy to reduce red light running and the resulting loss of life or injury; and

WHEREAS, local governments are responsible for citizen safety generally, and traffic safety and enforcement specifically; and

WHEREAS, local governments efforts to install red light cameras at intersections have been stymied by legal determinations that such cameras cannot be used to issue traffic citations; and

WHEREAS, despite strong local government support, bills introduced in the legislature to authorize the use of red light cameras for traffic safety by local governments has not been enacted; and

WHEREAS, as loss of life and injury are occurring each day as a result of red light running, local governments can collaborate about the urgency and importance of this issue to the State Legislature.

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

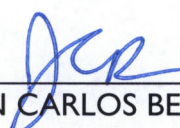
Section 1. The City Council hereby supports the creation of a "Green Light for Red Light Cameras" coalition among local governments in Florida to call for the Florida State Legislature to authorize the use of Red Light cameras for traffic safety.

Section 2. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

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

Councilman DiPietro	Yes
Councilwoman Ruiz	Yes
Councilman Van Name	Yes
Vice Mayor Cabrera	Yes
Mayor Bermudez	Yes

PASSED and ADOPTED this 9th day of November, 2005.



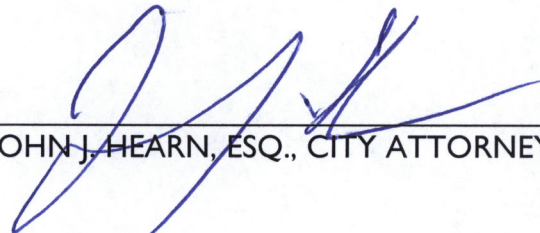
JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BARBARA HERRERA-HILL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



JOHN J. HEARN, ESQ., CITY ATTORNEY