

RESOLUTION #2007 – 18

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL FLORIDA IN SUPPORT OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE UNITED STATES SOUTHERN COMMAND WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF DORAL AND URGING THE LOCAL CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO APPROVE THE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION FUNDING FOR THE CONSOLIDATED U.S. SOUTHERN COMMAND IN THE CITY OF DORAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the United States Southern Command is the unified command responsible for all U.S. military activities on the land mass of Latin America south of Mexico; the waters adjacent to Central and South America; the Caribbean Sea with its island nations and European and U.S. Territories; and portions of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Southern Command has been headquartered in leased facilities in the Doral area since 1997; and

WHEREAS, making Doral the permanent home for U.S. Southern Command is in the best interest of our community and national security; and

WHEREAS, the City of Doral continues to work toward supporting our local military industry, which contributes over \$1.2 billion and 22,000 jobs to the local economy on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida Board of Trustees approved the use of 40 acres of State-owned land for military construction of a new consolidated U.S. Southern Command Headquarters in Doral; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Defense included \$237 million of military construction funding in its fiscal year 2008 budget request for the construction of the consolidated U.S. Southern Command headquarters facility in Doral; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States included \$237 million of military construction funding in his fiscal year 2008 budget request for the construction of the consolidated U.S. Southern Command headquarters facility in Doral; and

WHEREAS, Doral is recommended by the Commander of U.S. Southern Command as the best strategic location to accomplish its mission.

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

Section 1. The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are confirmed and ratified as being true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Doral supports the construction of the United States Southern Command within the boundaries of the City of Doral and urges the local congressional delegation to approve the military construction funding for the consolidated U.S. Southern Command in the City of Doral.

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

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Ruiz who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilman Van Name and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

PASSED and ADOPTED this 11th day of April, 2007.



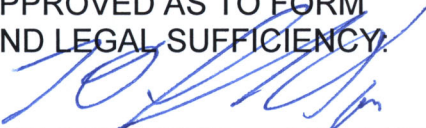
JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BARBARA HERRERA, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



JOHN J. HEARN, ESQ., CITY ATTORNEY