## **RESOLUTION No. 24-138**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL SPONSORSHIPS TO CICAMEX IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.00; MASIS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.00 AND HEVENF IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.00, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-79 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Section 2-79 of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Doral ("City") governs municipal sponsorships and provides that each councilmember is allotted \$5,000.00 per fiscal year (contingent upon annual city budget approval), to sponsor eligible applicants whose events, services, and programs support the city's vision, mission, and values as set forth in the city's adopted strategic plan and provide a community benefit; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this section is to establish procedures for all municipal sponsorships including the disbursement of discretionary funds approved by city councilmembers to sponsor programs, services, events and charitable and civic organizations that serve a municipal purpose; and

WHEREAS, in a continued commitment to supporting non-profit organizations that embody our core values and significantly contribute to the well-being of our community, Councilwoman Porras proposes sponsorship for three foundations; and

WHEREAS, CICAMEX is a 501(c)(3) organization established in Miami in 1998 and is dedicated to educating the public about the diverse cultures and values of Mexico and Central America, which consists of seven countries: Belize, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 2-79 of Municipal Sponsorships, Councilwoman Maureen Porras proposes a donation of \$1,000.00 to CICAMEX; and WHEREAS, Masis, founded on November 25, 1994, is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and promoting Andean culture, particularly Bolivian folklore. Named "Masis," meaning equality in Quechua, the organization focuses on cultural education for younger generations through traditional dances and music. These activities help maintain cultural heritage while fostering a sense of history, diversity, and equality; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Section 2-79 of Municipal Sponsorships, Councilwoman Maureen Porras proposes a donation of \$1,000.00 to Masis; and

WHEREAS, HEVENF, a non-profit organization dedicated to assisting Venezuelans in crisis, is a recognizable foundation that shows as an example of our city's strive for social responsibility and community support. HEVENF addresses the severe challenges facing Venezuelans, including economic instability and social unrest.; and

**WHEREAS,** in accordance with Section 2-79 of Municipal Sponsorships, Councilwoman Maureen Porras proposes a donation of \$1,000.00 to HEVENF; and

WHEREAS, each of the selected foundations empower and advance their important work within the community, and by supporting this together, we can create a bright future of awareness and diversity; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council finds that the proposed municipal sponsorship complies with Section 2-79 of the City's Code of Ordinances, and finds that the donations to the Foundations mentioned serve a municipal purpose.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS: Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

<u>Section 2. Approval & Authorization.</u> The Mayor and City Council hereby approve the municipal sponsorship proposed by Councilwoman Maureen Porras to CICAMEX, Masis, and HEVENF. The City Manager is hereby authorized to expend the budgeted funds.

**Section 3. Implementation.** The City Manager is hereby authorized to take such action as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 4. Effective Date. The Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Councilwoman Maureen Porras.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Puig-Corve who moved its adoption.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pineyro and upon being put to a vote, the

vote was as follows:

Mayor Christi Fraga Vice Mayor Oscar Puig-Corve Councilwoman Digna Cabral Councilman Rafael Pineyro Councilwoman Maureen Porras

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12 day of June, 2024.

CHRISTI FRAGA, MAYOR

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

ATTEST

CONNIÈ DIAZ, MMC CITY CLERK

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

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