

RESOLUTION NO. 2012- 2114

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF
THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, DIRECTING
THE TOWN MANAGER OR TOWN MANAGER
DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE PRE-PAID RETURN
ENVELOPES FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS;
PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the Town of Surfside realizes there is an increasing use of absentee ballots by the residents in municipal elections; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County has decided in Resolution No. 739-12 to implement this reform for the county-wide elections; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Surfside feels the need to aggressively protect the sanctity of the voting privilege and the fundamental right in a democracy should not be impeded by the payment of any costs such as postage; and

WHEREAS, the cost for providing pre-paid return envelopes would be approximately \$150 per election; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the Town Commission authorize the Town Manager or Town Manager designee work with Miami-Dade County to implement this reform for the Town of Surfside elections.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF
THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Recitals. That the above and foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Authorized. The Town Commission hereby authorizes the Town Manager to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED and **ADOPTED** on this 11th day of September 2012.

Motion by ^{Vice Mayor} Commissioner Karukin, Second by Commissioner Graubart.

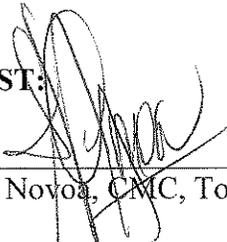
FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION

Commissioner Joseph Graubart	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Marta Olchyk	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Michelle Kligman	<u>yes</u>
Vice Mayor Michael Karukin	<u>yes</u>
Mayor Daniel Dietch	<u>yes</u>



Daniel Dietch, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sandra Novoa, CMC, Town Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY ONLY:**



Lynn M. Dannheisser, Town Attorney