## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-2800**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, APPROVING CENSURE DIRECTED TOWARDS COMMISSIONER ELIANA SALZHAUER; FINDING THAT COMMISSIONER SALZHAUER'S BEHAVIOR IS UNACCEPTABLE AND THAT SHE MUST MAINTAIN ORDER, DECORUM, CIVILITY AND RESPECT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Surfside ("Town") is a municipal corporation located within Miami-Dade County, Florida, duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida and is charged with providing exceptional public services to residents located within its corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Salzhauer has used periodic obscene hand gestures and loud and disruptive interruptions at Town public meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission and its members have tried to warn and caution Commissioner Salzhauer about her unacceptable behavior, including two efforts to censure Commissioner Salzhauer made by another member of the Town Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Surfside Town Commission finds that this resolution is necessary and beneficial to its citizens and staff given Ms. Salzhauer's unacceptable behavior; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission needs to adopts The Miami Herald's Editorial dated May 11, 2021 recommending that the Commission "grow up."

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

- <u>Section 1.</u> <u>Recitals Adopted.</u> The above-stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.
- <u>Section 2.</u> <u>Approving Censure: Findings.</u> The Town Commission hereby approves formally censuring Commissioner Salzhauer for her unacceptable and inexcusable behavior.
- <u>Section 3.</u> <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Motion By: _	Commissioner Velasquez
Second By: _	Commissioner Salzhauer

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of June, 2021.

## FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION

Commissioner Charles Kesl Commissioner Eliana Salzhauer Commissioner Nelly Velasquez Vice Mayor Tina Paul Mayor Charles W. Burkett Yes No Yes Abstain Yes

Charles W. Burkett, Mayor

ATTEST

Sandra McCready, MMC, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE ONLY:

Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L.

Town Attorney