RESOLUTION NO. 2022- 2892

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, COMMEMORATING AND HONORING THE VICTIMS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS, FIRST-RESPONDERS, AND SEARCH-AND-RESCUE TEAMS TO THE CHAMPLAIN TOWERS SURFSIDE COLLAPSE; DECLARING JUNE 24, 2022, AND EACH JUNE 24 THEREAFTER, AS "SURFSIDE CHAMPLAIN TOWERS SOUTH REMEMBRANCE DAY"; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in the early morning hours of June 24, 2021, the residential condominium Champlain Towers South Condominium located at 8777 Collins Avenue, Surfside, Florida 33154 ("Champlain Towers South"), experienced a major structural collapse of a substantial portion of the building ("Building Collapse"); and

WHEREAS, the Town's municipal first responders immediately mobilized to rescue as many Champlain Towers South residents as possible and to address the major threats posed by the Building Collapse to the health, safety, and welfare of the Town's residents; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2021, the Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 21-148 declaring a State of Emergency in Miami-Dade County due to the Building Collapse in order to assist in the response and recovery of the Building Collapse and the development of mitigation plans necessary to address hazards posed by the Building Collapse; and

WHEREAS, similarly, on June 24, 2021, the Mayor of Miami-Dade County ("County") issued a Declaration of Local State of Emergency in connection with the Building Collapse in order to assist in the search and rescue operation in the Town; and

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2021, the Town Commission adopted Resolution No. 2021-2802, declaring a Local State of Emergency due to the Building Collapse within the Town; and

WHEREAS, despite the courageous rescue efforts of the Town, County, State, and National first-responders, and other foreign search-and-rescue teams, the Building Collapse resulted in the deaths of 98 people and injuries to many others; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to respectfully commemorate and honor the victims, families and friends, first-responders, and other search-and-rescue teams affected by the Champlain Towers South Building Collapse by declaring the 24th day of June, 2022, and the 24th day of June each year thereafter, as "Surfside Champlain Towers South Remembrance Day"; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission finds that this Resolution is in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the Town.

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

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Recitals.</u> The above-stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

<u>Remembrance Day".</u> That the Town Commission respectfully commemorates and honors the victims, families and friends, first-responders, and search and rescue teams affected by the Champlain Towers South Building Collapse. The Town Commission hereby declares June 24, 2022, and each June 24 thereafter, as "Surfside Chaplain Towers South Remembrance Day".

Section 3. Implementation. That the Town Manager and Town Officials are hereby authorized to take all actions necessary to implement the purposes of this Resolution,

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of June, 2022.

Motion By: <u>Mayor Danzinger</u>
Second By: <u>Commissioner Meischeid</u>

FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION:

Commissioner Fred Landsman Yes
Commissioner Marianne Meischeid Yes
Commissioner Nelly Velasquez
Vice Mayor Jeffrey Rose
Mayor Shlomo Danzinger
Yes

Shlomo Danzinger, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sandra McCready, MMC

Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE ONLY:

Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L.

Town Attorney