RESOLUTION NO. 2023-<u>2974</u>

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT OF THE EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS IN TURKEY AND SYRIA; RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF HUMANITARIAN AID, RESCUE WORKERS, AND CIVILIAN VOLUNTEERS ON THE GROUND; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2023, a 7.8 magnitude earthquake struck central-southern Turkey, followed by a magnitude 7.5 earthquake later the same day, followed by over a thousand aftershocks in Turkey and northwest Syria; and

WHEREAS, the earthquakes have caused massive death and destruction, killing more than 50,000 people and injuring tens of thousands; and

WHEREAS, two weeks later, on February 20, 2023, an additional 6.3 magnitude earthquake hit southern Turkey, causing additional deaths and injuries; and

WHEREAS, Turkey estimates that more than 160,000 buildings containing 520,000 apartments collapsed or were severely damaged in Turkey by the disaster, the worst in the country's modern history; an

WHEREAS, the Town of Surfside (the "Town") wishes to express its support of the earthquake victims in Turkey and Syria, and recognize the heroic work of humanitarian aid, rescue workers, and civilian volunteers on the ground to save lives and provide care for earthquake victims; 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:

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

Section 2. Support of Earthquake Victims. The Town Commission hereby wishes to express its support of the earthquake victims in Turkey and Syria, and recognize the heroic work of humanitarian aid, rescue workers, and civilian volunteers on the ground to save lives and provide care for earthquake victims.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of March, 2023.

Motion By: Ommissioner Huschuck

FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION:

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

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