RESOLUTION NO. 2025-3378

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, URGING A TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF 96 STREET & HARDING AVENUE CROSSWALK BY FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on or about January 2025, the Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT)") installed a crosswalk ("Crosswalk") at the intersection of 96th Street and Harding Avenue (the "Intersection") in the Town of Surfside ("Town"); and

WHEREAS, the traffic conditions in the Town at the Intersection have significantly deteriorated since the installation of the Crosswalk; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission is charged with protecting and preserving the public health, safety and welfare of the residents and those coming into the Town:

WHEREAS, in order to restrict interference with the flow of vehicular traffic and ensure the safety of all persons traversing the sidewalks and streets at and surrounding the Intersection, the Town seeks to temporarily close the Crosswalk;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Town to urge FDOT to temporarily close the Crosswalk to determine if such closure improves the traffic conditions;

WHEREAS, the Town Commission seeks to direct the Town Clerk to deliver this Resolution to FDOT so it may close the Crosswalk for a period not to exceed four (4) months in order to allow FDOT such time to evaluate the

existing traffic conditions and determine the actions necessary to improve those

conditions without the use of or access to the Crosswalk; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission finds this directive to be in the best

interest and welfare of the Town.

NOW. THEREFORE. BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN

COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals Adopted. Each of the above-stated recitals are hereby

adopted, confirmed, and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Urging Closure of the Crosswalk. The Mayor, Vice Mayor

and Town Commission hereby request the Town Clerk to deliver this Resolution

to FDOT so it may temporarily close the Crosswalk for a period of time not to

exceed four (4) months in order to allow FDOT such time to evaluate the existing

traffic conditions and determine the actions necessary to improve those

conditions without the use of the Crosswalk.

The Town Clerk is hereby directed to Section 3. <u>Transmittals.</u>

forward a copy of this Resolution to FDOT, including Mr. Ramon Sierra, its Traffic

Services Program Engineer.

Resolution shall effective Section 4. Effective Date. This be

immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of February, 2025.

Motion By: Commissioner Velasquez

Second By: <u>Commissioner Coto</u>

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FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION:

Commissioner Ruben A. Coto Yes
Commissioner Nelly Velasquez Yes
Commissioner Gerardo Vildostegui No
Vice Mayor Tina Paul Yes
Mayor Charles W. Burkett Yes

Charles W. Burkett, Mayor

ATTEST;

Sandra N. McCready, MMC Town Clerk

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

Thais Hernandez, Esq.

Town Attorney