

**RESOLUTION No. 19-84**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO THE BUDGET PROPOSAL WHICH PROPOSES A \$98 MILLION DOLLAR PERMANENT REDUCTION IN MEDICAID SPENDING; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, Governor Desantis' budget proposal is seeking a \$98 million-dollar permanent reduction in Medicaid spending; and

**WHEREAS**, the State estimates based on 2015-16 Medicaid data that the \$98 million cut, will directly impact an estimated 39,000 elderly and disabled patients; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed budget cuts directly threaten children's access to important behavior analysis services, particularly children in lower income families across the state; and

**WHEREAS**, this proposal to cut Medicaid spending by \$98 Million will have an egregious impact on Floridians with disabilities, including seniors coping with end-of-life-care; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida's Medicaid program provides health care coverage to about 3.9 million Floridians, most of whom are enrolled in a Medicaid HMO, either for long-term care or for traditional and acute-care services; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed cuts to Medicaid spending will dramatically reduce the quality of life for Florida seniors.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Recitals.** The foregoing recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made a part hereof by this reference.

**Section 2. Recommended Position.** The Florida Legislature is hereby strongly urged to oppose any budget proposal that reduces Medicaid spending thereby reducing the level of services and care available to Florida citizens.

**Section 3. Transmittal.** The City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit this Resolution to the Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, the President of the Florida Senate, the Governor of the State of Florida, and such individuals of the Florida legislature and staff as deemed appropriate by the City Manager, to ensure that the City's position with this regard is clearly received and understood.

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

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Mariaca who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cabral and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez	Yes
Vice Mayor Claudia Mariaca	Yes
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	Yes
Councilman Pete Cabrera	Yes
Councilwoman Christi Fraga	Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10 day of April, 2019.

  
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JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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CONNIE DIAZ, MMC  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY  
FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF DORAL ONLY:

  
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LUIS FIGUEREDO, ESQ.  
CITY ATTORNEY