RESOLUTION No. 15-171

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, URGING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO EXPAND THE ROADWAY ALONG NW 25TH STREET FROM 89TH COURT TO 117TH AVENUE; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Doral (the "City") constantly strives to improve the quality of life of its residents by improving traffic conditions in and throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, of the numerous efforts undertaken to improve traffic conditions, the City expends considerable effort and funds to improve the roadway grid by expanding major thoroughfares; and

WHEREAS, of particular concern to the City is NW 25th Street which accommodates significant commercial vehicle and other business-related traffic; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2012, the Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") began construction on the west segment of the NW 25th Street Viaduct Project ("Viaduct Project"), which will extend the existing viaduct/bridge westward to NW 82nd Avenue, providing a vital and continuous link for cargo traffic traveling to, and from Miami International Airport's West Cargo Area; and

WHEREAS, the Viaduct Project, expected to be completed in April 2016, includes the construction of the viaduct and the roadway reconstruction and widening of NW 25th Street from State Road 826 (Palmetto Expressway) to NW 89th Court; and

WHEREAS, while the goal of the Viaduct Project is to designed to help traffic flow on and around NW 25th Street, especially in and around the Palmetto Expressway,

the increased commercial traffic to NW 25th will likely worsen the current and future traffic conditions of NW 25th Street west of 89th Court, where traffic will almost certainly bottle neck; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the urgent need of the community, the Mayor and City Council believe it is in the community's best interest for Miami-Dade County to take action to expand NW 25th from 89th Court to 117th Avenue and to connect NW 25th Street to the Turnpike.

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

<u>Section 1.</u> Recitals. The above recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made a part hereof by this reference.

Section 2. Recommended Position. The Mayor and City Council hereby urge Miami-Dade County to take all necessary actions to expand NW 25th Street from 89th Court to 117th Avenue and to connect NW 25th Street to the Turnpike, including, but not limited to, fund the remaining roadway improvements, eliminate any physical and/or policy impediments to completion, bid and award the expansion work, and cooperate with other governmental agencies associated with the project.

<u>Section 3.</u> Transmittal. The City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Honorable Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioner, District 12.

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

Mayor Luigi Boria Yes Vice Mayor Sandra Ruiz Yes Councilman Pete Cabrera Yes

Councilwoman Christi Fraga Absent/Excused

Councilwoman Ana Maria Rodriguez Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9 day of September, 2015

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE SOLE USE OF THE CITY OF DORAL

WEISS, SEROTA, HELFMAN, COLE AND BIERMAN, PL

CITY ATTORNEY