

RESOLUTION No. 23-76

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, URGING GOVERNOR RON DESANTIS TO SIGN HOUSE BILL 657 THAT WOULD AUTHORIZE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO USE SPEED DETECTION SYSTEMS TO ENFORCE SPEED LIMITS WITHIN SCHOOL ZONES DURING SPECIFIED TIMES; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the safety of school-age children in the City of Doral (“City”) is a priority for the City Council; and

WHEREAS, thousands of the City’s students cross roadways on their way to and from school every day, and the danger from speeding cars or distracted drivers is growing every year; and

WHEREAS, currently, Florida law preempts to the state the regulation of the use of cameras to enforce traffic laws, and the only such traffic cameras currently authorized to be used by counties or municipalities by state statute are commonly known as red light cameras; and

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2023, Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez filed Senate Bill (SB) 588 for consideration during the 2023 legislative session; and

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2023, Representative Traci Koster introduced House Bill (HB) 657 for consideration during the 2023 session of the Florida Legislature; and

WHEREAS, SB 588 and HB 657 would amend section 316.0776, Florida Statutes, to authorize a county or municipality to place or install speed detection systems to enforce speed limits in school zones; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2023, SB 588 was laid on the table, as HB 657 successfully passed both the Senate and the House, and was ordered enrolled on the same day; and

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of Doral supports legislation that would enhance protections for the City's children and pedestrians, by permitting the City to install speed detection systems in school zones, and urges Governor Ron DeSantis to sign HB 657.

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

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Support of HB 657. The City Council for the City of Doral urges the Florida Governor to sign House Bill 657 that would authorize a county or municipality to place or install speed detection systems to enforce speed limits in school zones.

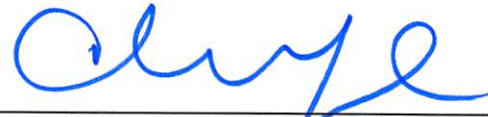
Section 3. Transmittal. The City Clerk for the City of Doral is hereby directed to transmit certified copies of this resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez, Representative Traci Koster, and the Chair and remaining Members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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

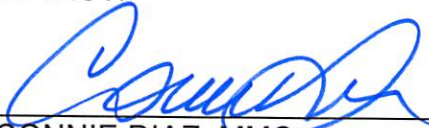
Mayor Christi Fraga	Yes
Vice Mayor Rafael Pineyro	Yes
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	Yes
Councilwoman Maureen Porras	Yes
Councilman Oscar Puig-Corve	Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10 day of May, 2023.



CHRISTI FRAGA, MAYOR

ATTEST:



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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