

RESOLUTION No. 11-113

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA URGING INSURANCE COMPANIES TO PROVIDE LOWER PREMIUMS TO RESIDENTS OF JURISDICTIONS PROVIDING FOR AUTOMATED RED LIGHT SAFETY TECHNOLOGY; PROVIDING FOR DISTRIBUTION AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, like many other municipalities and counties throughout the State of Florida, the City of Doral believes automated red light safety technology is an effective tool for creating safer roads and reducing the number of vehicular collisions, fatalities and injuries, thereby lowering the number of insurance claims; and

WHEREAS, a 2009 study conducted by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety ("2009 Study") determined that 676 people were killed and 113,000 people were injured in crashes related to red light running; and

WHEREAS, intersection crashes account for more than 45% of all reported crashes and 21% of fatalities; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 Study concluded that 62 Floridians lost their lives in crashes related to red light running, making Florida the third most deadly state in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Florida is the deadliest state in the nation for pedestrians and bicyclists; and

WHEREAS, a 2011 study conducted by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety ("2011 Study") concluded that automated red light safety technology saved 159 lives from 2004 to 2008 in 14 of the largest metropolitan areas in the country; and

WHEREAS, the number of jurisdiction embracing red light safety technology has ballooned from just 25 in 200 to approximately 500 today; and

WHEREAS, according to the Federal Highway Administration, the financial cost of red light running to the public has been estimated to be in excess of 14 billion dollars; and

WHEREAS, as expressly authorized by the Florida Legislature's enactment of the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act in 2010, numerous jurisdictions throughout the State of Florida have implemented automatic red light safety technology programs.

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

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are ratified and incorporated herein.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Doral hereby urges insurance providers within the State of Florida to offer a reduced rate to consumers residing in jurisdictions that utilize automated red light safety technology. These jurisdiction should be rewarded for their efforts to make their streets safer, to save lives, and to reduce costs, damages and injuries attributed to red light running.

Section 3. The City Council authorizes and directs the distribution of this Resolution to the Governor, the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation, the Florida League of Cities, the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, insurance providers throughout the State of Florida, and municipalities and counties implementing or contemplating the implementation of automated red light safety technology.

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

The foregoing resolution was offered by Councilman Cabrera who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor DiPietro and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez	Yes
Vice Mayor Michael DiPietro	Yes
Councilman Luigi Boria	Yes
Councilman Pete Cabrera	Yes
Councilwoman Ana Maria Rodriguez	Yes

PASSED and ADOPTED this 14th day of September, 2011.



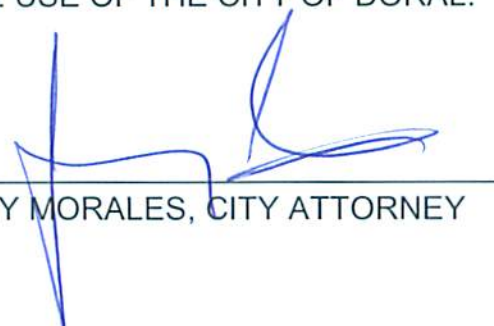
JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BARBARA HERRERA, CITY CLERK

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



JIMMY MORALES, CITY ATTORNEY