

RESOLUTION No. 25-120

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT (“ICE”), A COMPONENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS), AS A PARTICIPATING UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AGENCY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT AND TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 allows Immigration and Customs Enforcement (“ICE”) to delegate certain immigration officer functions to state and local law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, on February 13, 2025 Governor Ron DeSantis signed two sweeping immigration bills (Florida Senate Bills 2-C and 4-C) into law which became effective immediately upon signing and at the direction of the Governor, Florida Department of Law Enforcement (“FDLE”) authorized state law enforcement under 287(g) Agreement, to be trained and approved by ICE to perform immigration enforcement duties; and

WHEREAS, Florida Senate Bill 2-C strengthens Florida approach to illegal immigration by providing coordination between the State and ICE and creates an Immigration Enforcement Council to assist the State Board of Immigration Enforcement within FDLE to (1) request guidance form ICE for training opportunities and strategies to further the Memorandum of Agreement (2) advise the State Board of Immigration Enforcement on the efforts of local law enforcement agencies; (3) provide recommendation on financial resourced necessary to aid local law enforcement agencies; (4) provide recommendations to enhance information

sharing; and (5) provide recommendations on strategies to increase the number or available detention beds used by ICE; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Immigration is seeking participation from the City of Doral's Police Department to provide operational assistance in the form of law enforcement services and resources to adequately respond to illegal immigration; and

WHEREAS, Florida's Attorney General, James Uthmeier, has authored several opinion letters which, pursuant to Florida Statutes Chapter 908, describes a municipality's obligation to refrain from taking any action that would impede a local law enforcement agency from communicating or cooperating with a federal immigration agency; and

WHEREAS, additionally, Florida Attorney General, James Uthmeier's opinion letters provide that a violation of Florida Statutes Chapter 908 may include civil and criminal penalties, and removal from office; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City that an agreement be executed that fulfills the City's obligations under Florida law, without exceeding budgeted funds.

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 confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made a part hereof by this reference.

Section 2. Authorization. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement on behalf of the City of Doral with the United States' Immigration and

Customs Enforcement ("ICE"), a component of the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS"), as a participating United States government agency, to provide for operational assistance pertaining to enforcement of laws to combat illegal immigration, to the extent necessary to comply with Florida law, subject to legal conformity by the City Attorney.

Section 3. Implementation. The City Manager and the City Attorney are hereby authorized to take such further action as may be necessary to implement the purpose and the provisions of this Resolution.

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

Mayor Christi Fraga	Yes
Vice Mayor Maureen Porras	Yes
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	Yes
Councilman Rafael Pineyro	Yes
Councilwoman Nicole Reinoso	Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16 day of April, 2025.



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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