RESOLUTION NO. 2018-28

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING THE MIAMIDADE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S ("TPO") TRANSIT EXPANSION THROUGH THE STRATEGIC MIAMI AREA RAPID TRANSIT ("SMART") PLAN; PRIORITIZING THE NORTHEAST CORRDIOR; URGING THE TPO AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO PURSUE CREATIVE FUNDING SOLUTIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE SMART PLAN; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in 2002, the electors of Miami-Dade County approved the imposition of a one-half percent surtax with the purpose of improving, among other things, mass transit within the County through the People's Transportation Plan (PTP); and

WHEREAS, the PTP includes rapid transit corridors to be developed throughout Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), through its Transit Solutions Committee, received and considered input from transportation partner agencies, elected officials, and the public at large in order to designate six rapid transit corridors as a high priority; and

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2016, the Miami-Dade TPO Governing Board unanimously approved a policy to set as "highest priority" for this community the advancement of Rapid Transit Corridors and transit supportive projects in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2016, the Miami-Dade TPO Governing Board reviewed and unanimously endorsed the SMART Plan; and

WHEREAS, the SMART Plan intends to advance six of the rapid transit corridors, along with a network system of bus enhanced rapid transit service, and further approves the advancement of all six corridors to the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) phase, which will finalize the technology and cost estimate for each corridor and enable each project to move to final design and construction; and

WHEREAS, these projects are of tremendous importance and benefit to the community and will be transformative in its impact on public transportation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA, THAT:

<u>Section 1.</u> The City of Aventura endorses and supports proceeding with the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization's ("TPO") transit expansion through the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit ("SMART") plan, prioritizing the Northeast corridor and urging the TPO and Miami-Dade County to pursue creative funding solutions to implement the SMART plan.

Section 2. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

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

Commissioner Denise Landman	Yes
Commissioner Dr. Linda Marks	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Gladys Mezrahi	Yes
Commissioner Marc Narotsky	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Howard Weinberg	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Mayor Robert Shelley	<u>Yes</u>
Mayor Enid Weisman	Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 6th day of February, 2018.

ENID WEISMAN, MAYOR



ATTEST:

ELLISA L. HORVATH MMC

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CITY ATTORNEY