RESOLUTION NO. 2718

RESOLUTION ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING THE MIAMI-DADE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S STRATEGIC MIAMI AREA RAPID TRANSIT (SMART) PLAN PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; 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 MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: The foregoing WHEREAS clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption thereof.

<u>Section 2</u>: The Mayor and the City Council of Hialeah Gardens, Florida, hereby support the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization's strategic Miami area rapid transit (SMART) plan.

<u>Section 3</u>: All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

<u>Section 4</u>: If any provision of this Resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Resolution that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this Resolution are declared to be severable.

Section 5: This resolution shall become effective upon its adoption in accordance with law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of Hialeah Gardens, Florida, this 6 day of November , 2018.

ATTEST:

MARIA L. JOFFEE

CITY CLERK

CHAIRPERSON OF THE COUNCIL

YIOSET DE LA CRUZ

Mayor of Hialeah Gardens, Florida

Vote of the Council

Luciano Garcia Jorge Gutiérrez Jorge Merida Rolando Piña

Elmo Urra

yes yes

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM AND SUFFICIENCY:

CITY ATTORNEY