RESOLUTION C-1543

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MEDLEY, FLORIDA, ENDORSING AND SUPPORTING THE MIAMI-DADE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION'S STRATEGIC MIAMI AREA RAPID TRANSIT ("SMART") PLAN; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, in 2002, the electors of Miami-Dade County (the "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 the 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 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 the County; and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2016, the 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 within the County and the Town of Medley; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to endorse and support the implementation of the SMART Plan in order to alleviate current transportation issues and enhance transit solutions for all County residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MEDLEY, 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. Recommended Position. The Town Council hereby endorses and supports the SMART Plan and all efforts of the TPO in endorsing and implementing the SMART Plan.

Section 3. Transmittal. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Governing Board of the TPO, the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners and County Mayor Carlos Gimenez.

Section 4. Implementation. The Town Mayor and the Town Attorney are hereby authorized to take such further action as may be necessary to implement the purpose of this Resolution.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of December, 2017.

ROBERTO MARTELL, MAYOR

ATTEST:

HERLINA TABOADA, TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

WEISS SEROTA HELFMAN COLE & BIERMAN, P.L., TOWN ATTORNEY

SUMMARY OF THE VOTE

Mayor Roberto Martell

Vice-Mayor Ivan Pacheco

Councilperson Edgar Ayala

Councilperson Griselia DiGiacomo

Councilperson Jack Morrow

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