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RESOLUTION NO. 2015-64

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO AN AGREEMENT WITH FAIRCHILD TROPICAL BOTANIC GARDEN TO PROVIDE ORCHIDS FOR PLANTING THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE'S CANOPY; AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$30,000; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden launched the Million Orchid Project, a new initiative to replant native orchid plants in urban landscapes within Miami-Dade County, and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Palmetto Bay wishes to participate in Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden's Million Orchid Project, in which Fairchild is proposing to propagate millions of native orchids for reintroduction into South Florida's urban landscapes; and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Palmetto Bay has received a Letter of Intent from Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden accepting the Village's participation in the project; and,

WHEREAS, Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden agrees to provide the Village of Palmetto Bay with sufficient seedlings to accommodate the Village's canopy,

WHEREAS, Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden agrees to assist Village employees and residents by training them how to attach the orchids to trees and maintain them; and,

WHEREAS, the Village of Palmetto Bay has budgeted \$30,000 a year for the next five years for the Village's participation in the Million Orchid project, which will eventually result in 150,000 native orchids living in the Village's canopy; and,

WHEREAS, the Village's Administration is requesting authorization to enter into an agreement with Fairchild for the purchase of orchid seedlings in an amount of \$150,000 to be expended over a period of five (5) years, in \$30,000 increments; and,

WHEREAS, the budget of \$30,000 a year for the next five (5) years will fund the purchase of orchid seedlings from Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden for planting throughout the Village's canopy; and,

WHEREAS, the funds for this project is allocated under "General Funds" in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 in Fiscal Year 2015-16; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village Manager is authorized to issue a purchase order in an amount up to \$30,000 for the purchase of orchid seedlings from Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden for planting throughout the Village's canopy.

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Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 8th day of September, 2015.

Attest:


Meighan J. Alexander
Village Clerk


Eugene Flinn
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE USE
AND RELIANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA ONLY:


Dexter W. Lehtinen
Village Attorney

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:

- Council Member Karyn Cunningham YES
- Council Member Tim Schaffer YES
- Council Member Larissa Siegel Lara YES
- Vice-Mayor John DuBois YES
- Mayor Eugene Flinn YES