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RESOLUTION NO. 2016-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO NAMING THE PLAYGROUND LOCATED AT CORAL REEF PARK, 7895 SW 152 STREET, IN HONOR OF BRIDGET ALLISON PIER; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Sponsored by Mayor Eugene Flinn and Councilwoman Karyn Cunningham)

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2004, Bridget Allison Pier was born at Baptist Hospital in Miami. Bridget was a healthy and happy child, a great little sister, loving daughter, and a loyal friend; and,

WHEREAS, doctors believe that Bridget may have been born with a heart valve condition, a bicuspid valve, that never exhibited any symptoms of trouble until she contracted a bacterial infection called Endocarditis that attacks the interior lining of the heart. On June 29, 2011, while vacationing with her family in Hawaii, following a day of fun and surfing, this lovely little girl tragically and suddenly suffered a massive stroke when the infection's "vegetation" broke free of her heart and traveled to her brain, which resulted in her untimely death on July 3, 2011; and

WHEREAS, when it became apparent that doctors would be unable to save her, Bridget's family made the difficult decision to give the Gift of Life. Bridget donated her kidneys to two fortunate people, one cornea was successfully transplanted, and her liver went to medical research in an effort to save countless others. This type of gift would be completely in line with Bridget's way of life. She was a kind, fun child who always made an effort to welcome new students, fiercely loyal to those she loved, and cared deeply for those less fortunate. Her positive attitude, spirit, and desire to learn remain an example of all of us as to how we should live our lives; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2005, the Village Council adopted ordinance no 05-12 relating to naming, re-naming and co-designating village facilities, parks, etc.; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the ordinance, the Village Council may name a site after a person or persons who have made significant contributions to the community, thereby furthering the Village's good name and image; and,

WHEREAS, the Village Council desires to name the playground at Coral Reef Park, 7895 SW 152 Street, in memory of Bridget Allison Pier for her significant contributions.

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

Section 1. Pursuant to the requirements of Ordinance number 05-12, the Village Council finds that a significant contribution has been made to the Village and the community; and furthermore, the Council agrees that the Playground at Coral Reef Park, 7895 SW 152 Street, shall be, after public hearing and input, officially named the **BRIDGET ALLISON PIER PLAYGROUND**. Appropriate signage shall be installed.

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

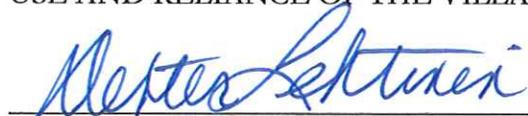
2 **PASSED and ADOPTED** this 4th day of January, 2016.

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Attest: 
Meighan Alexander
Village Clerk


Eugene Flinn
Mayor

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

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16 Dexter W. Lehtinen
17 Village Attorney

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21 FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:

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23 Council Member Karyn Cunningham YES
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25 Council Member Tim Schaffer YES
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27 Council Member Larissa Siegel Lara YES
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29 Vice-Mayor John DuBois YES
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31 Mayor Eugene Flinn YES
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