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RESOLUTION NO. 2017-46

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED FLORIDA HOUSE BILL 11 AND SENATE BILL 1292, THAT WOULD DECERTIFY LABOR ORGANIZATIONS UNDER 50% MEMBERSHIP AND ELIMINATE THE RIGHTS OF AN EMPLOYEE TO CHOOSE TO BE A MEMBER OF THEIR UNION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Sponsored by Councilmember Karyn Cunningham and Co-Sponsored by Mayor Eugene Flinn)

WHEREAS, Florida is a right-to-work state where union membership or payment of dues cannot be required; and

WHEREAS, in Florida teachers, nurses, police officers, firefighters and other public employees can choose to join their labor organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Constitution also gives teachers, nurses, police officers, firefighters and other public employees the right to join a union to give them a voice regarding wages, healthcare and working conditions; and

WHEREAS, Florida Law already permits public employees to obtain an election to decertify an exclusive bargaining representative; and

WHEREAS, HB 11 and SB 1292 would decertify labor organizations under 50% membership and leave working men and women without representation; and

WHEREAS, 1,541 union members live in the Village of Palmetto Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Palmetto Bay wants stability for all public sector employees living in the Village; and

WHEREAS, labor solidity with all public employees help provide stability to the operations of the Village.

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

Section 1. The Mayor and Village Council of the Village of Palmetto Bay oppose legislative policy like HB 11 and SB 1292 that would decertify labor organizations under 50% membership, and eliminate the rights of an employee to be a member of their union.

Section 2. The Village Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Chair and Members of the Miami Dade County State Legislative Delegation, including all Miami- Dade County Municipal cities.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

1 PASSED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of April, 2017.

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4 DocuSigned by:
5 *Missy Arocha*
6 Attest: _____
7 Missy Arocha
8 Village Clerk

DocuSigned by:
Eugene Flinn

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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14 DocuSigned by:
15 *Dexter W. Lehtinen*
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17 Dexter W. Lehtinen
18 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 David Singer 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