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RESOLUTION NO. 06-37

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, CO-DESIGNATING EAST HIBISCUS STREET BETWEEN THE SOUTHBOUND LANE OF SOUTH DIXIE HIGHWAY AND SW 97TH AVENUE AS "LINDA HERNANDEZ WAY"; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Sponsored by Councilman Breder)

WHEREAS, the Village Council recently passed Ordinance No. 05-12 establishing a process for the co-designation of street and roads within Palmetto Bay; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Ordinance, the Village desires to co-designate the portion of East Hibiscus Street between the southbound lane of South Dixie Highway and SW 97th Avenue as Linda Hernandez Way; and,

WHEREAS, Linda Ann Hernandez was born on April 6, 1964; and,

WHEREAS, Linda Hernandez began her career in 1984 as a Corrections Officer with the Miami-Dade County Department of Corrections after graduating from the police academy; and,

WHEREAS, after 13 years of service with the Corrections Department, Linda Hernandez became certified as an emergency medical technician and joined the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue unit on March 17, 1997 and was stationed at the Hibiscus Fire Station; and,

WHEREAS, on March 29, 1999, she responded to a building fire and suffered smoke inhalation while cutting a hole in the roof to ventilate the interior; and,

WHEREAS, she eventually developed acute liver failure and in June 2000 required a liver transplant that her body later rejected; and,

WHEREAS, on September 18, 2001, Linda Hernandez passed away as a result of complications from her on-the-job injury. Her death was overshadowed by the deaths of 343 firefighters on 9-11 in New York City.

WHEREAS, Linda Hernandez was a dedicated firefighter and the only female firefighter in Miami-Dade County to die in the line of duty.

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

