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RESOLUTION NO. 2013-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING HOUSE BILL 325, AND 327; RELATING TO CREATING THE SAFE SCHOOLS TRUST FUND UNDER SECTION 1010.88, FLORIDA STATUTES, WHICH FUNDS SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO THE VARIOUS SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS TO IMPROVE THE SAFETY OF STUDENTS WHILE THEY ARE WITHIN SCHOOL SAFETY ZONES; THE FUND WOULD EXPIRE JULY 1, 2017; AND, PROVIDE THAT STATE SALES AND USE TAXES COLLECTED ON FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION BE ALLOCATED TO THE FUND; PROVIDING FOR DISTRIBUTION BY THE VILLAGE CLERK; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. [Sponsored by Mayor Shelley Stanczyk].

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Village Council desire to establish their legislative agenda items and to express their concerns as to State legislative items; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Village Council support House Representative Linda Stewart in her efforts to enact House Bills 325 and 327, as they relate to utilizing state sales and use taxes collected on firearms and ammunition to create the Safe Schools Trust Fund under Section 1010.88, Florida Statutes; and,

WHEREAS, the funding would be placed in the Trust Fund and allocated to the various school districts to provide additional projects and program to improve the safety of students while they are within school safety zones; the fund would expire July 1, 2017; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation would expand the ban on carrying guns at schools, widening the prohibition from school buildings to an area within 500 feet of a school, but would allow people to check their guns, exempting them from prosecution if they turn their gun in to someone when they arrive at a school; and,

WHEREAS, the Village Council supports the State Legislature in protecting our children, particularly after the rash of gun related violence against our children; and,

WHEREAS, after the Sandy Hook Elementary disaster of 2012, the weakest portion of our population should be protected, and the Trust Fund created will help fund programs to ensure the safety of our children; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to express their fervent support for House Bills 325 and 327.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND VILLAGE
2 COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALMETTO BAY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:
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4 Section 1. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified as true and correct and
5 are incorporated herein by this reference.
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7 Section 2. The Village hereby files its support of the legislative agenda item as identified
8 in House Bills 325 and 327, as it relates to creating the Safe Schools Trust Fund.
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10 Section 3. The Village Clerk is authorized on behalf of the Village to provide executed
11 copies of this resolution to the Village's lobbyist, and to the Florida Legislature, the Mayor of
12 Miami-Dade County, each member of the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners, as well as
13 each municipal clerk in Miami-Dade County for the purpose of distributing copies to members of
14 their respective governing councils.
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16 Section 4. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.
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18 PASSED and ADOPTED this 4th day of March, 2013.

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20 Attest:

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22 Meighan Alexander
23 Village Clerk

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25 Shelley Stanczyk
26 Mayor

27 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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29 Eve A. Boutsis
30 Village Attorney
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32 FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION:
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34 Council Member Patrick Fiore	<u>YES</u>
35 Council Member Tim Schaffer	<u>YES</u>
36 Council Member Joan Lindsay	<u>YES</u>
37 Vice-Mayor John DuBois	<u>YES</u>
38 Mayor Shelley Stanczyk	<u>YES</u>

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