

RESOLUTION NO. R2021-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO APPROPRIATE CERTAIN FUNDS TO THE “WE CARE PROGRAM” DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 TO ASSIST IN THE PAYMENT OF WATER BILLS FOR RESIDENTS WHO ARE EXPERIENCING FINANCIAL DISTRESS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSEARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, numerous families in the City of North Miami Beach are experiencing financial distress especially in light of Covid-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, many families are having difficulty paying for their water bills during this difficult time period; and

WHEREAS, water service is critical to protecting the public health in the City of North Miami Beach and the lack of water service may have dangerous consequences to many families in North Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS, realizing the importance of water service to the public health of the City, the City Commission created the “We Care” program to assist residents who are unable to pay their water bills due to financial distress; and

WHEREAS, the We Care program has provided necessary support to families over the years; however, the program has run out of funds since the last fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the need to assist families facing financial distress during the Covid-19 pandemic is more apparent than ever before under the We Care program; and

WHEREAS, the We Care program must contain adequate funds to assist in the payment of water bills for families facing financial distress during this difficult period; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission of the City of North Miami Beach direct the City Manager or designee to appropriate certain funds to the We Care program for fiscal year 2021-22.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of North Miami Beach, Florida, as follows:

Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are adopted by reference and incorporated as if fully set forth in this section.

Section 2. The Mayor and City Commission of the City of North Miami Beach direct the City Manager or Designee to appropriate certain funds to the We Care program for fiscal year

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Section 3. The Mayor and City Commission authorize the City Manager to do all things necessary to effectuate this Resolution.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City of North Miami Beach City Commission at the regular meeting assembled this 21th day of September 2021.

ATTEST:

ANDRISE BERNARD, CMC
CITY CLERK

(CITY SEAL)

ANTHONY F. DEFILLIPO
MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM, LANGUAGE
AND FOR EXECUTION

HANS OTTINOT
INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY

Sponsored by: Commissioner Fortuna Smukler and Commissioner Michael Joseph