

RESOLUTION NO. R2022-XX

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE TENANT’S BILL OF RIGHTS ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO WORK WITH OFFICIALS FROM MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO EDUCATE RESIDENTS IN NORTH MIAMI BEACH ABOUT THE TENANT’S BILL OF RIGHTS; AND FURTHER DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE MIAMI-DADE HOUSING ADVOCATES WITH TEMPORARY USE OF CITY FACILITIES TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL FORUMS ABOUT THE TENANT’S BILL OF RIGHTS; PROVIDING DIRECTION TO THE CITY CLERK; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on or about March 1, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County adopted a Tenant’s Bill of Rights Ordinance to provide additional protections to tenants to ensure adequate living standards in rental units in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Tenant’s Bill of Rights is to provide information and resources to residents/tenants of Miami-Dade County concerning existing laws that protect tenants, and connecting tenants to community agencies or other entities that can assist them and to seek redress against landlords for violating state and local laws relating to the condition of rental units; and

WHEREAS, the recent experience of the City of North Miami Beach in the relocation of tenants when two buildings were condemned for unsafe conditions highlights the need for the Tenant’s Bill of Rights; and

WHEREAS, if the Tenant’s Bill of Rights would have been adopted prior the condemnation of the two buildings in North Miami Beach for unsafe conditions, the residents of those buildings could have sought protections under the Tenant’s Bill of Rights to force the landlords to make necessary repairs to the buildings before the buildings were deemed unsafe; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission wish to express strong support for the Tenant’s Bill of Rights Ordinance adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.

Section 2. The Mayor and City Commission hereby express strong support for the Tenant's Bill of Rights Ordinance adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County.

Section 3. The Mayor and City Commission direct the City Manager or designee to work with officials of Miami-Dade County to educate residents in North Miami Beach about the protections under the Tenants' Bill of Rights and to provide temporary use of City facilities to Housing Advocates from Miami-Dade County to conduct educational forums about the Tenant's Bill of Rights.

Section 4. The City Clerk is hereby directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Mayor of Miami-Dade County, Chair and members of the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, and the Miami-Dade County League of Cities.

Section 5. This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City of North Miami Beach City Commission at the regular meeting assembled this 17th day of **May, 2022**.

ATTEST:

ANDRISE BERNARD, MMC
CITY CLERK

(CITY SEAL)

ANTHONY F. DEFILLIPO
MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM,
LANGUAGE & FOR EXECUTION:

HANS OTTINOT
CITY ATTORNEY

Sponsored by Commissioner Paule Villard