



City of North Miami Beach, Florida

Office of the Mayor and Commission

TO: Members of the City Commission

CC: Horace McHugh, Interim City Manager
Hans Ottinot, Ottinot Law, P.A., City Attorney
Andrise Bernard, City Clerk

FROM: Anthony F. DeFillipo, Mayor

DATE: March 16, 2021

SUBJECT: **Resolution re: Home Rule for Local Municipalities and Counties**

According to the Florida League of Cities, Home Rule powers state that any city can adopt laws as long as the law does not conflict with state or federal law. These powers were voted into the Florida Constitution more than half a century ago.

In the past three legislative sessions, legislators filed more than 100 bills that would bypass local decision-making and discount the individual needs of each municipality.

As officials with hands directly on the pulse of our communities, we have a vantage point that allows us to make the most relevant and informed decisions for our constituents. We have been entrusted to serve in their best interests, and to protect this authority, I request the Commission's approval of the proposed resolution.