RESOLUTION NO. 23-1887

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT OF **THAT** LEGISLATION WILL MITIGATE EFFECTS OF LIME ROCK MINING BLASTS ON MIAMI LAKES RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS REAL PROPERTY, AND PROVIDE FOR ECONOMIC RELIEF FOR INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES THAT HAVE SUFFERED REAL PROPERTY DAMAGE AS THE **RESULT OF** LIME ROCK **MINING BLASTS:** PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS: PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE TOWN CLERK; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (CID, ALVAREZ, COLLAZO, DIEGUEZ, FERNANDEZ, GARCIA, RUANO)

WHEREAS, the negative effects of blasts for lime rock mining activity west of Interstate 75 continues to plague Town of Miami Lakes (the "Town") residents and business owners; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the Town Council chartered a Blasting Advisory Committee to gather information regarding the effects of blasting, and study ways to mitigate its effects; and

WHEREAS, based in part on the work of the Blasting Advisory Committee, the Town, in concert with its State legislative representatives, have authored and championed bills aimed at regulating the intensity of lime rock mining blasts; and

WHEREAS, based on scientific studies, there is sufficient evidence to support a direct correlation between the intensity of lime rock mining blasts, and its effects on near by physical structures; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds it has an obligation on behalf of its residents and business owners to advocate and champion legislation that will mitigate the effects of lime rock mining blasts; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council urges its State legislative representatives to pass meaningful legislation that will place limits on the intensity of lime rock mining blasts; and

WHEREAS, further, the Town Council urges its State legislative representatives to pass meaningful legislation that will provide a legal avenue to individuals who have suffered from the effect of lime rock mining blasts a path to obtain financial compensation for their losses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Support of meaningful legislation that will place restrictions on the intensity of lime rock mine blasts, and provide an adequate remedy to individuals and businesses that have suffered economic losses due to the negative effects of lime rock mining activities. The Town Council hereby urges our State legislative representatives to author and champion State legislation that will restrict the intensity of lime rock blasts, and provide and adequate remedy to individuals and businesses that have suffered economic losses due to the negative effects of lime rock mining activities.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Instructions to Town Clerk.</u> The Town Clerk or their designee are authorized and instructed to send a copy of this resolution to our State legislative representatives.

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

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Passed and adopted this 10th day of January 2023.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Councilmember Garcia who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Alvarez and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Manny Cid	Yes
Vice Mayor Carlos O. Alvarez	Yes
Councilmember Luis E. Collazo	Yes
Councilmember Josh Dieguez	Yes
Councilmember Tony Fernandez	Yes
Councilmember Ray Garcia	Yes
Councilmember Marilyn Ruano	Yes

MANNY CID MAYOR

Attest:

Gina M. Inguanzo
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Lorenzo Cobiella, Esq.

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