RESOLUTION NO. 23-1941

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT MARS PETCARE'S 2023 BETTER CITIES FOR PETS GRANT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Mars Petcare's 2023 Better Cities for Pets Grant Program (the "Grant") assists local governments with funding to create welcoming spaces for people and pets; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Miami Lakes (the "Town") is a pet friendly community recognized by the Mars Petcare Program as a Certified Better Cities for Pets Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town's K-9 Cove dog recreation park provides two separate fenced in areas for small and large dogs, with benches, two doggie drinking fountains and a joint open-air shelter with two round picnic tables for use by pet parents; and

WHEREAS, at this time, K-9 Cove is in desperate need of interactive recreational enhancements for dogs and pet parents to play together; and

WHEREAS, Town Staff has developed the Miami Lakes K-9 Cove Dog Park Olympics Program enhancements, which will provide agility play features that will allow for greater interactions and equipment that can provide future "Olympic" style competitive Town events; and

WHEREAS, if awarded, the Town will receive Twenty Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$20,000.00) towards the funding of the K-9 Cove Dog Park Olympic Program enhancements; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this award will not obligate the Town to expend matching funds.

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

<u>Section 1.</u> Recitals. The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Authority to Apply and Accept Grant, and Execute all necessary

Documents. The Town Council hereby approves the application submittal for the Mars Petcare's

2023 K-9 Cove Dog Park Olympic Program enhancements, and if awarded authorizes the Town

Manager to take all necessary action, including the execution of any agreements, future amendments

or addendums necessary to effectuate the Grant.

Section 3. Authorization of Town Officials. The Town Manager and/ or his designee and the Town Attorney are authorized to take all steps necessary to implement the terms and conditions of the Mars Petcare's 2023 K-9 Cove Dog Park Olympic Program enhancements, as described in Section 2. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to send copies of this Resolution to any person or agency as directed by the Council of the Town of Miami Lakes.

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

Passed and adopted this 12th day of September 2023.

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

Mayor Manny Cid	Absent
Vice Mayor Carlos O. Alvarez	Absent
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

Castesi, Lopez and Mestre, PLLC

DEP. TOWN ATTORNEY