

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-1960**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR THE PASSAGE OF 2023 SENATE BILL 172; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CLERK; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Miami Lakes (the “Town”) has a significant and active population of veterans that have served our nation; and

**WHEREAS**, after the purchase of real property, veterans are afforded needed exemptions to their annual property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, these veteran tax benefits, which often can provide thousands of dollars in savings are not afforded to veterans until they have purchased the property and the persons veteran’s status is confirmed; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 172, currently being considered by the State of Florida Senate, will provide veterans the opportunity to have their tax savings reflected at the time of their home purchase; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 172 will have a minimal fiscal impact on the State of Florida’s tax collection; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 172 will provide an immediate benefit to the Town’s veteran’s population; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council finds that Senate Bill 172 is in the best interest of the Town of Miami Lakes.

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

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

**Section 2. Extending the Town’s Condolences and Support.** The Town Council extends its support and endorsement of Senate Bill 172.

**Section 3. Providing for Instructions to the Town Clerk.** The Town Clerk is instructed to submit a copy of this resolution to Rep. Tom Fabricio and Senator Brian Avila.

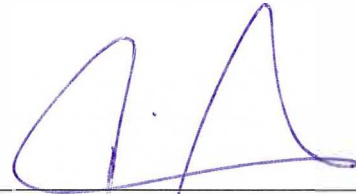
**Section 4. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

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Passed and adopted this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023.

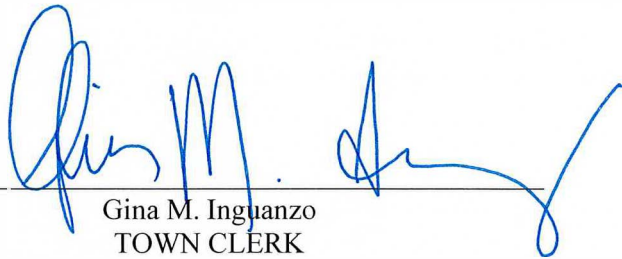
The foregoing resolution was offered by Councilmember Ruano who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fernandez and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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



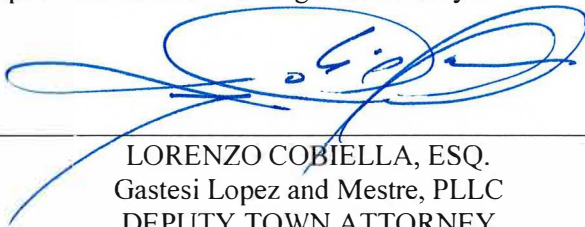
Manny Cid  
MAYOR

Attest:



Gina M. Inguanzo  
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:



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Gastesi Lopez and Mestre, PLLC  
DEPUTY TOWN ATTORNEY