RESOLUTION NO. 01-36

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, CREATING A CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR SUNSET REVIEW; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Miami Lakes (the "Town") desires that a committee be created to establish a cultural identity and activities that will further the development of a climate of art music, theatre, recreational classes, etc. and

WHEREAS, the Town believes that the Committee should be composed of concerned citizens and should be large enough to encompass all particular interests in the arts.

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

Section 1. The Town Council hereby creates a task force to be known as the "Cultural Affairs Committee."

Section 2. The Cultural Affairs Committee shall consist of twenty-one (21) members who shall serve for a period of 18 months. The members shall be appointed by the Mayor, subject to approval by the Town Council. Each council member may suggest nominations of three (3) members. At the first meeting, the Committee shall select a Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary. It shall be the duty of the Chairman, or his/her designee to provide written a report to the Council within three months following the first Committee meeting. The first report shall contain a plan of action for the next year and a financial recommendation as to how the recommended programs will be funded. Written reports shall be required quarterly thereafter. Notices and Minutes of all meetings shall be provided in writing to the Town Clerk.

Section 3. The Committee shall be subject to Sunset review two years from the effective date of this Resolution.

Section 4. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ______day of August 2001.

WAYNE SLATON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

TOWN ATTORNEY

Council voted ______ as follows:

Mayor Wayne Slaton

Vice Mayor Roberto Alonso

Councilmember Mary Collins

Councilmember Robert Meador

Councilmember Michael Pizzi

Councilmember Nancy Simon

Councilmember Peter Thomson

ABOUT THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

To: COUNCIL MEMBERS

Cc: Manager and Clerk

Towns and Cities are built with bricks and mortar but the heart and soul of any community is in its' Culture. I believe that Culture is what gives any place a personality. Miami Lakes has begun with an identity but; the reason so many people wanted us to incorporate is to develop a quality reflective of the Soul of the Community.

In order to achieve this, I have sent to the Manager a Resolution to create a "Cultural Affairs Committee." This Committee will be very large (Twenty-one (21) Members) and very diverse. With the caliber of Residents who have enthusiastically expressed an interest in serving on this Committee so far, I expect them to hit the ground running. People like Mrs. Greaney, Neill Robinson, Felicia Salazar, The Amadors, Beth Geyer, and Jody Atwood, who comes with an impressive Resume in the Music Community. Photographers, Artists, Actors and others, are all ready to participate in this endeavor. I believe with all my heart that it is time to do this.

There are Grants available at all levels of Government, Private funds, Business funds, Events that will create funding, The Council itself may want to provide a few dollars of seed money in the next budget to get some projects started.

When this Resolution comes before the Council, I really hope that you will not only support it but; you will produce some talented members of your own, to be included on this Committee. A Committee that will create a blueprint for future Cultural Activities. A Little Theater Group, A traveling Art Exhibit, A concert, maybe some Adult Classes in different subjects.

This will be a Group of Citizens who will help to shape the real meaning of our Precious Town of Miami Lakes.

Mary Collins