

RESOLUTION NO. 06-396

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR PROPOSED LEGISLATION THAT WOULD ALLOW MUNICIPALITIES TO ADOPT THEIR OWN OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE TAX STRUCTURES AND CLASSIFICATIONS; DIRECTING THE TOWN CLERK TO FORWARD THE RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Sections 205.0315 and 205.0535, Florida Statutes, require that municipal occupational license tax ordinances adopted after October 1, 1995 be based upon the ordinance of an adjacent local government or upon the ordinance of a jurisdiction of comparable population which adopted an ordinance under Section 205.0535; and

WHEREAS, presently, the Florida House of Representatives is considering House Bill 891 and the Florida Senate is considering Senate Bill 1592, collectively referred to as the Local Occupational License Taxes (the "Bills"), which would allow municipalities incorporated after 1995, including the Town of Miami Lakes, to establish new classifications and rate structures and would authorize municipalities to decrease or eliminate an occupational license tax; and

WHEREAS, the Bills will grant the Town the authority to reclassify businesses, professions and occupations and establish new rate structures in order to meet the unique needs of the Town's residents and businesses.

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

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

Section 2. Support. The Town hereby expresses its support for House Bill 891 and Senate Bill 1592, collectively referred to as the Local Occupational License Taxes, presently under consideration during the 2006 Legislative Session which would allow municipalities incorporated after 1995 to establish new classifications and rate structures and would authorize municipalities to decrease or eliminate an occupational license tax.

Section 3. Direction of the Town Clerk. The Town Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to all appropriate State officials, committees and agencies.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of April, 2006.

Motion to adopt by Wayne Collins, second by Robert Meador.

FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION

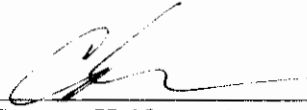
Mayor Wayne Slaton	<u>yes</u>
Vice Mayor Robert Meador	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Roberto Alonso	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Mary Collins	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Dorothy Cook	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Michael Pizzi	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Nancy Simon	<u>yes</u>

Wayne Slaton
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MAYOR

ATTEST:

Debra Eastman
Debra Eastman, MMC
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legality for the use
and benefit of the Town of Miami Lakes only:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C. Serota', written over a horizontal line.

Weiss, Serota, Helfman, Pastoriza,
Cole & Boniske, P.A.
TOWN ATTORNEY