

RESOLUTION NO. 12-1009

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF THE ADDITIONAL HOMESTEAD TAX EXEMPTION FOR SENIORS, RESOLUTION 169, PERMITTING MUNICIPALITIES TO PASS LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE TAX INCENTIVES TO SENIOR CITIZENS; DIRECTING THE TOWN CLERK TO FORWARD THE RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the state of Florida has passed the Additional Homestead Tax Exemption for Seniors, Resolution 169; and

WHEREAS, this resolution is an amendment to section 6, Article VII of State Constitution to authorize Legislature, by general law, to allow counties and municipalities to grant additional homestead tax exemption equal to assessed value of homestead property; and

WHEREAS, the exemptions are only to be granted if the property has a fair value lower than \$250,000, and the owner has maintained permanent residency on property for 25 years, attained the age of 65 and whose household income does not exceed 20,000; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Miami Lakes is home to over 4000 seniors that can benefit from this amendment.

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 reference.

Section 2. Support. The Town of Miami Lakes (the “Town”) hereby supports any constitutional amendments that will lead to tax breaks for senior citizens.

Section 3. Transmittal. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Miami Dade County Mayor and Commissioners.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10 day of July, 2012.

Motion to adopt by Mayor Pizzi, second by Councilmember Pulido.

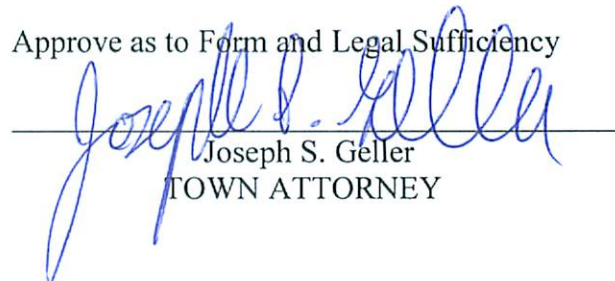
FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION

Mayor Michael Pizzi	<u>yes</u>
Vice Mayor Ceasar Mestre	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Mary Collins	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Tim Daubert	<u>absent</u>
Councilmember Nelson Hernandez	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Nick Perdomo	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Richard Pulido	<u>yes</u>


Michael Pizzi
MAYOR

Attest:


Marjorie Tejeda
TOWN CLERK

Approve as to Form and Legal Sufficiency

Joseph S. Geller
TOWN ATTORNEY