

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-1097**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON IMPOSING ANY FEES ON FREE PROGRAMS OR INCREASING FINES AND FEES ON MIAMI LAKES RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Miami Lakes strives to maintain a low millage rate, resulting in lower taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, excessive fines and fees are as burdensome as excessive taxation; and

**WHEREAS**, user fees would only impose greater costs, and would require creation of a new bureaucracy to administer them; and

**WHEREAS**, charging user fees may result in disruption of the quality of life of Miami Lakes residents, penalizing residents more than a tax increase; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami Lakes residents currently enjoy many free community classes and services that were paid for in many ways, such as their many years of paying taxes in our town; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami Lakes chose to abolish its Special Taxing District after incorporation; and

**WHEREAS**, imposing fees for services that are now offered for free and increasing fees on additional services, will stifle economic growth and prevent job creation in Miami Lakes; and

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

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

**Section 2. Authorization of Town Officials.** The Town Council hereby directs staff to impose a moratorium on charging fees on any community class or service currently offered for free, including parking in our Town, Town Facilities, and Parks. Additionally, a moratorium shall also be imposed on raising fees on residents and businesses.

**Section 3. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

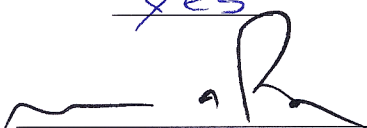
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 11 day of JUNE, 2013.

Motion to adopt by MAYOR Pizzi second by Tony Lama.

**FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION**

- Mayor Michael Pizzi
- Vice Mayor Caesar Mestre
- Councilmember Manny Cid
- Councilmember Tim Daubert
- Councilmember Nelson Hernandez
- Councilmember Tony Lama
- Councilmember Nelson Rodriguez

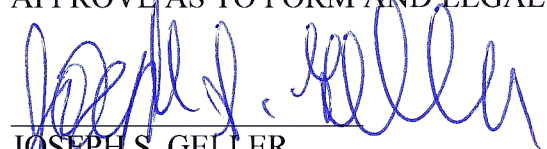
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 Michael Pizzi  
 MAYOR

Attest:

  
 MARJORIE TEJEDA  
 TOWN CLERK

APPROVE AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

  
 JOSEPH S. GELLER  
 GREENSPOON MARDER  
 TOWN ATTORNEY