RESOLUTION NO. 2018-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE MIAMI-DADE LEAGUE OF CITIES OPPOSING PROPOSED MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ORDINANCE, DATED MAY 1, 2018, RELATED TO NEW PROCEDURES FOR MUNICIPAL INCORPORATIONS AND ANNEXATIONS, SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER BARBARA JORDAN; URGING THE MUNICIPALITIES OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO OPPOSE SAME; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, many municipalities, neighborhoods, and geographic areas in Miami-Dade County (the "County") have, respectively, submitted applications for annexation or created Municipal Advisory Committees to pursue to incorporation or are interested in doing same; and

WHEREAS, the County has done numerous and extensive studies on both annexation and incorporations have done little to further the accomplishment of either; and

WHEREAS, the County also has a history of creating policy obstacles that make the pursuit and completion of annexation and incorporation efforts difficult; and

WHEREAS, County Commissioner Barbara Jordan, on May 1, 2018, presented to the Board of County Commissioners a substitute ordinance that created new procedures for municipal incorporations and annexations, which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (the "Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance, which is to be applied retroactively and prospectively, establishes new procedural obstacles that further delay, entangle, and unduly prejudice pending and future annexation applications and incorporation efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County League of Cities (the "League") has historically and consistently requested positive forward movement on both annexations and/or incorporations, by and through Resolutions Nos. 1995-12, 1998-08, 2000-10, 2002-01, 2002-3, and 2007-06; and

WHEREAS, the League opposes the Ordinance on the grounds that it creates undue burdens on municipal annexation applications and incorporation efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY PRESIDENT JORDAN LEONARD AND THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI-DADE LEAGUE OF CITIES, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made a part hereof by this reference.

Section 2. County Ordinance Opposed. The Miami-Dade League of Cities hereby opposes the proposed Miami-Dade County Ordinance, Dated May 1, 2018, related to new procedures for municipal incorporations and annexations, sponsored by Commissioner Barbara Jordan. The Municipalities of Miami-Dade County are encouraged to pass their own resolution against the Ordinance and to present during meetings of the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioner at which the Ordinance may be discussed.

Section 3. Transmittal. The City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit this Resolution to the Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, the President of the Florida Senate, the Governor of the State of Florida, and such individuals of the Florida legislature and staff as deemed appropriate by the City Manager, to ensure that the City's position with this regard is clearly received and understood.

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

PASSED and ADOPTED this 7th day of June, 2018.

ATTEST:

JOSEPH CORRADINO

SECRETARY

JORDAN W. LEONARD PRESIDENT