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**Coconut Grove Village Council**

**Miami, Florida**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COCONUT GROVE VILLAGE COUNCIL ON THE MULTIPLE PROPERTY HISTORIC DESIGNATION**

**WHEREAS**, the wood frame structures are associated with Village Island West’s contributions to the development of Coconut Grove and the City of Miami.

**WHEREAS**, the wood frame structures are associated with the overall establishment and continued settlement of the area by black Bahamians, African Americans from the South, and their descendants.

**WHEREAS**, the City found that there were insufficient numbers of contributing structures remaining to designate the entire Village Island West district as historic.

**WHEREAS**, the Coconut Grove Village Council wishes to give its opinion and represent what it believes would be in the best interest of the community regarding the multiple property designation of contributing structures.

**WHEREAS**, preserving these contributing structures in Village Island West district is in the best interests of the public health, safety, welfare, esthetics, conservation and retention of invaluable historic resources otherwise irretrievably lost to the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COCONUT GROVE VILLAGE COUNCIL, THAT:**

**Section 1.** That the foregoing “Whereas” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

**Section 2.** That the Coconut Grove Village Council shall support legislation which designates multiple, contributing wood framed vernacular residences of Coconut Grove Village West as historic.

**Section 3.** That the Coconut Grove Village Council shall support the City’s efforts to assist homeowners defray costs of preserving residences designated as historic through opportunity grants and other mechanisms available at City, County, State, and Federal levels.

**Section 4.** That the Coconut Grove Village Council shall support legislation in which individual property owners have the opportunity to appeal the designation at no cost to the appellant.

**Section 5.** That the Coconut Grove Village Council shall support this legislation, as long as the City performs sufficient outreach, a minimum of once every two years, to educate property owners of benefits available to them and restrictions imposed on them by owning a contributing structure.

**Section 6.** That the Coconut Grove Village Council shall support this legislation, as long as the City’s Historic Preservation Board holds a special meeting to address the multiple property designation legislation.

**Section 7.** That the Coconut Grove Village Council shall support this legislation, as long as the City,

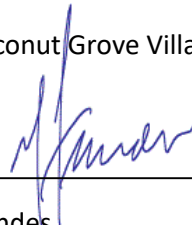
notwithstanding life-safety code issues, develops criteria for exceptions to certain onerous City of Miami Building Code compliances when issuing permits for contributing structure renovations.

**Section 8.** That the Coconut Grove Village Council shall support The City of Miami’s Historic Preservation Board and City Commission in this legislation, so long as they continue to adhere to Section 2 through Section 7 of this Resolution. If the City’s plans deviate and no longer adhere to Section 2 through Section 7, then Section 8 of this Resolution will be severed from this Resolution and Section 2 through Section 7 will remain passed and adopted by the Coconut Grove Village Council.

**Section 9.** That this Resolution shall be in force and take effect immediately upon passage and adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Coconut Grove Village Council, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018.

Coconut Grove Village Council



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