

RESOLUTION NO. 19R-05-87

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA CONDEMNING THE BOYCOTT, DIVEST AND SANCTION ISRAEL (BDS) MOVEMENT; PROVIDING THAT THE BDS MOVEMENT PROMOTES ANTI-SEMITISM AND THE ELIMINATION OF THE JEWISH STATE; PROVIDING THAT THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL WILL NOT INVEST IN, OR DO BUSINESS WITH, ANY FIRM OR PERSON THAT BOYCOTTS ISRAEL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER HOWARD BERGER)

WHEREAS, the Boycott, Divest and Sanction Israel Movement (BDS Movement) promotes Anti-Semitism and the elimination of the Jewish state; and

WHEREAS, the Florida State Legislature passed SB-86 in 2016, with bipartisan support, sending a message that they benefit from their relations with Israel and do not support the BDS Movement; and

WHEREAS, the Florida House of Representatives passed HB-527 directing the State Board of Administration to create a list of companies that engage in boycotts of Israel, and instructing all government entities to divest from companies listed; and

WHEREAS, the anti-BDS bill prevents companies that engage in boycotts of Israel from bidding on local or state government contracts; and

WHEREAS, other States have passed similar measures prohibiting doing business with companies that engage in boycotts of Israel;

WHEREAS, the City of Lauderhill is a diverse community that supports and respects all residents, regardless of race, religion or natural origin and opposes doing business with companies that engage in boycotts of Israel;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1. The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

SECTION 2. The City of Lauderhill condemns the Boycott, Divest and Sanction Israel Movement (BDS Movement).

SECTION 3. The City of Lauderhill will not invest in or do business with any firm or individual that boycotts Israel

SECTION 4. That the City Clerk is hereby directed to distribute this Resolution to the Florida Governor, the President of the Florida Senate, the Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, the Broward County Legislative Delegation, the Florida League of Cities, the Florida Association of Counties, the Florida City County Management Association, the Board of County Commissioners for Broward County, the Broward County League of Cities, and each of the municipalities in Broward County.

SECTION 5. The appropriate City officials are authorized to execute all necessary documents and to take any necessary action to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

SECTION 6. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

DATED this _____ day of _____, 2019.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on first reading this _____ day of _____, 2019.

PRESIDING OFFICER

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MOTION _____
SECOND _____

M. BATES _____
H. BERGER _____
R. CAMPBELL _____
D. GRANT _____
K. THURSTON _____

Approved as to Form

W. Earl Hall
City Attorney