

RESOLUTION NO. 19R-03-46

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, ENCOURAGING THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO COMBAT HOMELESSNESS; DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO PROVIDE A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY VICE MAYOR M. MARGARET BATES)

WHEREAS, today, one in four families that rent in our country live a paycheck away from homelessness, and more and more families can no longer afford safe places to live; and

WHEREAS, current federal programs and funding for housing are not meeting the growing demand; and

WHEREAS, even worse, lowering or maintaining level funding every year, when not accounting for inflation, effectively reduces critical resources, shifting costs to already burdened taxpayers and leading to even greater homelessness; and

WHEREAS, no one should have to choose between housing they cannot afford and basic necessities like food and medication; and

WHEREAS, it is time for dramatic change in how this national crisis is addressed; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lauderhill wishes to send a powerful message that investing in existing and new housing programs benefits all of us; and

WHEREAS, we need to ignite a national conversation that reminds the nation that affordable housing is pro-family, pro-jobs and pro-investment; and

WHEREAS, the private sector is a powerful partner that understands how investing in our communities leads to economic growth, a stronger workforce, and stronger cities; and

WHEREAS, the state and federal governments have a vital role in housing and homeless assistance and must be a partner; and

WHEREAS, the proposals in the Administration`s FY 2019 budget shifts responsibility to local governments and taxpayers to meet the nation`s needs while cutting federal funding and reducing the federal role in housing; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to encourage the federal government to increase funding for affordable housing to combat homelessness;

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

SECTION 1. Each of the above recitals are hereby adopted, confirmed, and incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. The City Commission hereby encourages the federal government to increase funding for affordable housing to combat homelessness.

SECTION 3. The City Commission hereby directs the City Clerk to transmit a copy of this Resolution to all appropriate entities.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

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