

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES AS FIRST RESPONDERS AS FEDERALLY MANDATED; AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS RESPONDER SYMBOL AS ADOPTED BY THE NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, President George W. Bush issued Homeland Security Presidential Directive 5 (HSPD-5), Management of Domestic Incidents, in 2003, in which a Public Works response to emergencies and disasters is recognized as an absolute necessity, and the federal government is directed to include Public Works in all planning and response efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City Public Works employees, throughout various departments, are involved in Disaster Response and Recovery and have demonstrated their skills and commitment multiple times throughout the years; and

WHEREAS, the City believes that to best provide for the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens, it is appropriate to designate those employees as first responders that put the citizens of the City before themselves in times of emergency; and

WHEREAS, in response to the federal mandate, the City Commission would like to designate the City Public Works employees as first responders; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2018, the American Public Works Association announced the Association's adoption of a national Public Works Responder Symbol to be used throughout North America to recognize Public Works professionals' federally mandated role as first responders; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works First Responder symbol uses the familiar colors of orange, black and white, with a design reminiscent of road construction signs, safety cones, and orange construction barrels; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works First Responder symbol is expected to increase recognition of Public Works employees as first responders throughout North America; and

WHEREAS, by displaying the symbol wherever appropriate, Public Works agencies can raise awareness among all citizens, government officials, and other first responders about the critical role Public Works plays in emergency management efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission would like to authorize the City Public Works Department to use the Public Works responder symbol, as adopted by the National Public Works Association, and to ensure the symbol has maximum exposure in as many settings as possible such as on fleet vehicles, license plates, letterhead, hard hats, uniforms, identification badges, public buildings, and offices; and

WHEREAS, approval of this Resolution will not fiscally impact the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA.

Section 1: That the foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are incorporated in this Resolution.

Section 2: The employees of the City Public Works Department are recognized as First Responders as federally mandated.

Section 3: The Public Works Responder Symbol, as adopted by the American Public Works Association, is authorized for use by the Public Works Department.

Section 4: The City Manager is authorized to do all things necessary to carry out the aims of this Resolution.

Section 5: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2023.

JOSH LEVY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DOUGLAS R. GONZALES
CITY ATTORNEY