RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXPAND THE EXISTING RETROFIT TOILET REBATE PROGRAM TO INCLUDE COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES, IN AN ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$200,000.00.

WHEREAS, in 2008, the City of Hollywood adopted a Comprehensive Water Conservation Plan, which outlines a five-year strategy regarding implementation of several water savings initiatives; and

WHEREAS, WaterSense, a partnership program sponsored by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, (USEPA), indicates that toilets are the main source of water used in the home, accounting for nearly 30% of residential indoor water use, and inefficient or leaking toilets contribute to the water waste; and

WHEREAS, replacing the existing, older, water-wasting toilets with WaterSense-certified models could save approximately 11,000 to 18,000 gallons per year per household, therefore, City of Hollywood residential customers could lower water consumption and lower their water and wastewater bills; and

WHEREAS, developing efficient conservation practices and using water wisely to enhance our life can help our community avoid, or at least lessen, the likelihood of future water shortages; and

WHEREAS, educating our residents on how to use water more efficiently will help preserve this finite resource for future generations and will help reduce future water and wastewater infrastructure costs; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2010, via Resolution R-2010-303, the City of Hollywood City Commission implemented a Retrofit Toilet Rebate Program (the Program) for single family residences to help support a proactive approach towards the management of the City's groundwater and surface water resources, and to promote conservation of water resources; and

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2013, via Resolution R-2013-033, the City of Hollywood City Commission expanded the Program to include multi-family dwellings; and

WHEREAS, the Administration recommends that the City Commission authorize the appropriate City Officials to expand the Retrofit Toilet Rebate Program to include commercial properties, in an estimated amount of \$200,000.00; and WHEREAS, funding for water conservation programs has been provided via Resolution No. R-2014-301 which continued the appropriation for previously approved Capital Projects from FY 2014 to FY 2015; and

WHEREAS, funding for the Program is available in account number 42.4000.90408.536.005201; and

WHEREAS, the Program will run for multiple years from Commission approval and subsequent phases of the program will be presented to the City Commission for consideration and approval;

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

<u>Section 1:</u> That it hereby approves and authorizes the implementation, by the appropriate City Officials, to expand the Retrofit Toilet Rebate Program to include commercial properties, in an estimated amount of \$200,000.00.

<u>Section 2:</u> That this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2015.

PETER BOBER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY for the use and reliance of the City of Hollywood, Florida, only.

JEFFREY P. SHEFFEL, CITY ATTORNEY