

RESOLUTION NO. 2020- 2693

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, HONORING ARYA GRAY AND DIRECTING THE TOWN MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT CHANGES TO THE TOWN'S SUMMER CAMP AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS AND INSTALL A MEMORIAL PAVER IN HONOR OF ARYA GRAY; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2020, Ms. Arya Gray, a freshman from Miami Beach High School, tragically fell victim to accidental gunfire while she was visiting a friend's apartment; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gray was an outstanding young woman raised in the Town of Surfside (the "Town") by her parents and family; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2020, the Town community joined in mourning the loss of Ms. Gray by holding a community candlelight vigil to honor Ms. Gray and to provide Ms. Gray's family with support and compassion; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission desires to further honor the memory of Ms. Gray by memorializing her name within the Town; and

WHEREAS, in order to honor Ms. Gray's memory, the Town Commission desires to rename a "Higher Education Scholarship" after Ms. Gray, dedicate a memorial paver in her name at the Town Community Center, and incorporate a gun safety component into the Town's Summer Camp curriculum; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission finds that this Resolution is in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the Town.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The recitals are true and correct and incorporated in the Resolution.

Section 2. Honoring Arya Gray and Directing the Town Manager. The Town Commission hereby honors Arya Gray and directs the Town Manager to: (1) rename one of the Town's "Higher Education Scholarships" to the "Arya Gray Higher Education Scholarship"; (2) incorporate a gun safety education component into the Town's Summer Camp curriculum, and (3) install a memorial paver at the Town Community Center in honor of Arya Gray.

Section 3. Implementation. The Town Manager and/or designees are hereby authorized to take all actions necessary to implement the purposes of this Resolution.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 9th day of June, 2020.

Motion By: Commissioner Salzhauer

Second By: Vice Mayor Paul

FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION:

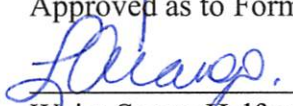
Commissioner Charles Kesl	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Eliana R. Salzhauer	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Nelly Velasquez	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Mayor Tina Paul	<u>Yes</u>
Mayor Charles W. Burkett	<u>Yes</u>

Attest:



Sandra Novoa, MMC
Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency:



Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L.
Town Attorney



Charles W. Burkett, Mayor