

RESOLUTION NO. 2022- 2914

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE DESIGNATION AND RENAMING OF STATE ROAD A1A/COLLINS AVENUE BETWEEN 87TH TERRACE AND 88TH STREET AS “98 POINTS OF LIGHT WAY” TO HONOR AND IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE VICTIMS OF THE CHAMPLAIN TOWERS SOUTH BUILDING COLLAPSE; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in the early morning hours of June 24, 2021, the residential condominium Champlain Towers South Condominium located at 8777 Collins Avenue, Surfside, Florida 33154 (“Champlain Towers South”), experienced a major structural collapse of a substantial portion of the building (“Building Collapse”); and

WHEREAS, the Town’s municipal and other first responders immediately mobilized to rescue as many Champlain Towers South residents as possible and to address the major threats posed by the Building Collapse to the health, safety, and welfare of the Town’s residents; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2021, the Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 21-148 declaring a State of Emergency in Miami-Dade County due to the Building Collapse in order to assist in the response and recovery of the Building Collapse and the development of mitigation plans necessary to address hazards posed by the Building Collapse; and

WHEREAS, similarly, on June 24, 2021, the Mayor of Miami-Dade County (“County”) issued a Declaration of Local State of Emergency in connection with the Building Collapse in order to assist in the search and rescue operation in the Town; and

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2021, the Town Commission adopted Resolution No. 2021-2802, declaring a Local State of Emergency due to the Building Collapse within the Town; and

WHEREAS, despite the courageous rescue efforts of the Town, County, State, and National first-responders, and other foreign search-and-rescue teams, the Building Collapse resulted in the deaths of 98 people and injuries to many others; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Surfside (the "Town") desires to honor and remember the 98 victims of the Champlain Towers South Building Collapse; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2022, Governor Ron DeSantis approved House Bill No. 1496, designating that portion of State Road A1A/Collins Avenue between 87th Terrace and 88th Street in the Town as "98 Points of Light Way" and directed the Department of Transportation ("FDOT") to erect markers designating "98 Points of Light Way;" and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission desires to support the designation of and renaming of "98 Points of Light Way" to honor and in remembrance of the 98 victims of the Champlain Towers South Building Collapse; 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 above-stated recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Supporting the Designation/Renaming of 98 Points of Light Way. The Town Commission supports the designation and renaming of that portion of State Road A1A/Collins Avenue between 87th Terrace and 88th Street in the Town as

"98 Points of Light Way" to honor and in remembrance of the 98 victims of the Champlain Towers South Building Collapse

Section 3. Implementation. That the Town Manager and Town Officials are hereby authorized to take any and all actions which are necessary to implement the purposes of this Resolution.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of September, 2022.

Motion By: Commissioner Landsman
Second By: Vice Mayor Rose

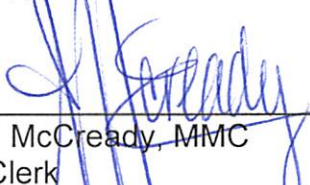
FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION:

Commissioner Fred Landsman	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Marianne Meisheid	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Nelly Velasquez	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Mayor Jeffrey Rose	<u>Yes</u>
Mayor Shlomo Danzinger	<u>Yes</u>



Shlomo Danzinger, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sandra McCready, MMC
Town Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE
AND BENEFIT OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE ONLY:**



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