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City of Miami Beach Mayor & Commissioners
Miami Beach City Hall
1700 Convention Ctr Dr
Miami Beach, FL 33139

Dear Mayor and City Commissioners,

On behalf of Publix Super Markets, we are writing to express our support for Commissioner Fernandez's proposed amendment to chapter 46, article IV, section 46-152 of the city's code. This thoughtful revision would allow businesses like ours the ability to perform necessary sanitation services one day each month during extended hours.

This amendment strikes a balance between operational needs, public safety, and community standards. Under the current ordinance, our ability to perform essential sanitation services like pressure washing has been limited due to time restrictions. These limitations have made it difficult to clean our store exteriors during hours that do not pose safety concerns by having equipment and wet surfaces interfere with customer traffic. The proposed amendment provides a practical solution by permitting extended hours on the first Friday of each month, allowing us to complete thorough exterior cleaning after normal business hours.

Publix appreciates Commissioner Fernandez's leadership on this issue and the City's ongoing commitment to supporting businesses that strive to maintain high standards of safety and cleanliness. As a company we respectfully urge your support in approving this amendment.

Sincerely,

Savannah Sipsy
Government Relations Manager
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