

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, CALLING FOR FREEDOM, DEMOCRACY, AND FAIR ELECTIONS FOR HONDURAS IN NOVEMBER 2025, AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO SEND A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE MARCO RUBIO.

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach, Florida, is home to a vibrant and diverse community, which includes individuals with strong ties to the nation of Honduras; and

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2025, general elections will be held in Honduras, electing a president, 128 members of parliament, 20 members of the Central American parliament, and several mayors and vice mayors.

WHEREAS, the people of Honduras have historically faced significant challenges in their pursuit of freedom, democracy, and fair elections, with past electoral processes marred by allegations of corruption, intimidation, and irregularities; and

WHEREAS, among the presidential candidates are the current Minister of Defense, Rixi Moncata, and the wife of the former president Juan Orlando Hernandez, Ana Garcia; and

WHEREAS, the current President Xiomara Castro, ally of Cuba and Venezuela (among the few to have recognized the victory of Nicolas Maduro), has been recently asked to resign by an anti-corruption organization after a video was released in which her brother-in-law, Carlos Zelaya, allegedly received drug money; and

WHEREAS, the climate in which the vote will take place could therefore be characterized by distrust in the institutions, also because some members of Castro's government have recently been implicated in accusations of collusion with drug trafficking; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission recognizes the fundamental right of all people to live in a democracy where their voices are heard and their votes are counted fairly, and the City stands in solidarity with the people of Honduras in their pursuit of these ideals; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission firmly believes that the future of Honduras depends on the peaceful, democratic participation of its citizens, and urges the government of Honduras to work toward ensuring free, fair, and transparent elections in the nation; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission also calls on the international community, including the United States, to support efforts that promote democratic governance, human rights, and the rule of law in Honduras; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach, as part of its commitment to the promotion of democracy and human rights, joins in calling for the protection of the right to vote and the right to free expression for all Honduran citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby call for freedom, democracy, and fair elections for Honduras in November 2025, and directing the City Clerk to send a copy of this Resolution to U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio.

PASSED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

Steven Meiner, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(sponsored by Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney

11/27/2025
Date