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Applicable Area:

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: City Attorney Ricardo J. Dopico

DATE: May 21, 2025

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ANALYSIS

The attached Resolution was prepared at the request of the sponsor, Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

Does this Ordinance require a Business Impact Estimate?

(FOR ORDINANCES ONLY)

If applicable, the Business Impact Estimate (BIE) was published on:

See BIE at: <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/meeting-notice/>

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CONCLUSION

Applicable Area

Citywide

Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item, pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?

Is this item related to a G.O. Bond Project?

No

No

Was this Agenda Item initially requested by a lobbyist which, as defined in Code Sec. 2-481, includes a principal engaged in lobbying? No

If so, specify the name of lobbyist(s) and principal(s):

Department

City Attorney

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Promote Citywide Awareness, Combat Human Trafficking. (Bhatt) CA

Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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WHEREAS, human trafficking is a grave violation of human rights and dignity that affects individuals and communities across the nation, including the City of Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS, Florida consistently ranks among the top three states in the number of calls made to the National Human Trafficking Hotline, highlighting the urgent need for continued vigilance and action at the local level; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach has recently experienced high-profile cases of human trafficking within its jurisdiction, emphasizing the need for strengthened local efforts to address and prevent such crimes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach and its Human Rights Committee are committed to supporting victims and survivors of human trafficking and reaffirm their dedication to eradicating this human rights violation from our community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach actively promotes public awareness and education on how to recognize and report suspected human trafficking through citywide campaigns and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach values collaboration among City departments, including the Miami Beach Police Department, and community organizations in efforts to prevent trafficking and provide critical services to survivors.

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 reaffirm the City's commitment to combating human trafficking, supporting victims and survivors, and promoting citywide awareness; and direct the City Administration to continue efforts to raise awareness, support local law enforcement, and promote citywide education and prevention strategies.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ___ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

Steven Meiner, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

Rafael E. Granada, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt)



City Attorney *RR* 5/7/2025
Date