**RESOLUTION # 2022-22**

**RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI DIRECTING THE MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO INSTALL THE OFFICIAL MOTTO OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA, "IN GOD WE TRUST," BEHIND THE DAIS IN THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI COMMISSION CHAMBERS, PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS,** the motto "In God We Trust" symbolizes the historical role of religion in our society, fosters patriotism, and expresses confidence in the future of our Nation, our State, and our City and its people; and

**WHEREAS,** this motto's role in our society is long-standing, as it has been used extensively over the years by the federal government; and

**WHEREAS,** the United States Congress ("the Congress") first authorized the National Mint to include "In God We Trust" on coins in 1865, made its inclusion mandatory on gold and silver coins in 1908, and mandated its appearance on all national coins and currency in 1955; and

**WHEREAS,** the Congress made "In God We Trust" the national motto in 1956, and the motto has been inscribed above the Speaker's rostrum in the United States House of Representatives, and also above the main door of the United States Senate Chamber; and

**WHEREAS,** "In God We Trust" was made the official motto of the State of Florida by the Florida Legislature in 2006; and

**WHEREAS,** this Commission wishes to give recognition to the official motto of our Country and our State in the City of West Miami Commission Chambers; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI, FLORIDA,** that this Commission directs the Manager or designee to install, within 90 days of the effective date of this resolution, the official motto of the United States and the State of Florida, "In God We Trust," behind the dais in the City of West Miami Commission Chambers, in substantially the same form as shown in Exhibit A to this resolution.

Passed and adopted this 4th day of May 2022.

APPROVED:

**ERIC DIAZ-PADRON, MAYOR**

ATTEST:

**ANNERY GONZALEZ, CITY CLERK**

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND SUFFICIENCY:

**JOSE A. VILLALOBOS, CITY ATTORNEY**

ROLL CALL VOTE:

This Resolution was offered by Vice-Mayor Blanes, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Blanca. The vote was as follows:

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| **MAYOR ERIC DIAZ-PADRON** | **Y** |
| **VICE-MAYOR JUAN M. BLANES** | **Y** |
| **COMMISSIONER CANDIDA BLANCA** | **Y** |
| **COMMISSIONER IVAN CHAVEZ, JR.** | **Y** |
| **COMMISSIONER LUCIANO SUAREZ** | **Y** |