RESOLUTION NO. 12-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF BEACH BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT SERVICES IN A PORTION OF THE CITY; REIMPOSING BEACH BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE ASSESSMENT AREA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2012; ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF ASSESSMENT; APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of Fort Lauderdale, Florida (the "City Commission"), has enacted Ordinance No. C-06-34 (the "Ordinance"), which authorizes the imposition of Beach Business Improvement Assessments for beach business improvement services, facilities, and programs against Assessed Property located within the Assessed Area; and

WHEREAS, the imposition of a Beach Business Improvement Assessment for beach business improvement services, facilities, and programs each fiscal year is an equitable and efficient method of allocating and apportioning Beach Business Improvement Assessed Costs among parcels of Assessed Property; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to reimpose a beach business improvement assessment program in the Assessment Area using the tax bill collection method for the Fiscal Year beginning on October 1, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission, on July 10, 2012, adopted Resolution No. 12-129 (the "Preliminary Rate Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the Preliminary Rate Resolution contains and references a brief and general description of the services to be provided to the Improvement District Area; describes the method of apportioning the Assessed Cost to compute the Beach Business Improvement Assessment for services against Assessed Property; estimates rates of assessment; and directs the updating and preparation of the Assessment Roll and provision of the notice required by the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the Ordinance, the City is required to confirm or repeal the Preliminary Rate Resolution, with such amendments as the City Commission deems appropriate, after hearing comments and objections of all interested parties; and

WHEREAS, the Assessment Roll has heretofore been made available for inspection by the public, as required by the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing has been published and if required by the terms of the Ordinance, mailed to each property owner proposed to be assessed, notifying such property owner of the Owner's opportunity to be heard, an affidavit regarding the form of notice mailed to each property owner being attached hereto as Appendix A and the proof of publication being attached hereto as Appendix B; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on September 5, 2012, and comments and objections of all interested persons have been heard and considered as required by the terms of the Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. AUTHORITY. This resolution is adopted pursuant to the Ordinance (Ordinance No. C-06-34), the Initial Assessment Resolution (Resolution No. 06-207), the Final Assessment Resolution (Resolution 07-26), the Preliminary Rate Resolution (11-204), Article VIII, Section 2, Florida Constitution, Sections 166.021 and 166.041, Florida Statutes, and other applicable provisions of law.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION. This resolution constitutes the Annual Rate Resolution for the Beach Business Improvement Assessment as defined in the Ordinance. All capitalized terms not defined in this Resolution shall have the meanings defined in the Ordinance, the Initial Assessment Resolution, the Final Assessment Resolution and the Preliminary Rate Resolution.

SECTION 3. REIMPOSITION OF BEACH BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENTS.

(A) The parcels of Assessed Property described in the Assessment Roll, as updated, which is hereby approved, are hereby found to be specially benefited by the provision of the beach business improvement services, facilities, and programs described or referenced in the Preliminary Rate Resolution, in the amount of the Beach Business Improvement Assessment set forth in the updated Assessment Roll, a copy of which was present or available for inspection at the above referenced public hearing and is incorporated herein by reference. It is hereby ascertained, determined and declared that each parcel of Assessed Property within the Improvement District Area will be specially benefited by the City's provision of beach business improvement services, facilities, and programs in an amount not less than the Beach Business Improvement Assessment for such parcel, computed in the manner set forth in the

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Preliminary Rate Resolution. Adoption of this Annual Rate Resolution constitutes a legislative determination that all parcels assessed derive a special benefit in a manner consistent with the legislative declarations, determinations and findings as set forth in the Ordinance, the Initial Assessment Resolution, the Final Assessment Resolution, the Preliminary Rate Resolution from the beach business improvement services, facilities, or programs to be provided and a legislative determination that the Beach Business Improvement Assessments are fairly and reasonably apportioned among the properties that receive the special benefit as set forth in the Preliminary Rate Resolution.

- (B) The method for computing Beach Business Improvement Assessments described and referenced in the Preliminary Rate Resolution and the cost apportionment methodology described and adopted in the Preliminary Rate Resolution is hereby approved.
 - (C) For the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2012, the estimated Beach Business Improvement Assessed Cost to be assessed is \$660,404. The Beach Business Improvement Assessments to be assessed and apportioned among benefited parcels pursuant to the cost apportionment to generate the estimated Beach Business Improvement Assessed Cost for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2012, are hereby established as follows:

Property Classification	Rate
Business Property for Commercial	\$0.8525 per \$1000 of assessed value
Purposes*	

^{*}As Defined in the Initial Assessment Resolution.

(D) The above rates of assessment are hereby approved. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Beach Business Improvement Assessments for beach business improvement services in the amounts set forth in the updated Assessment Roll, as herein approved, are hereby levied and imposed on all parcels of Assessed Property described in such Assessment Roll for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2012.

(E) Any shortfall in the expected Beach Business Improvement Assessment proceeds due to any reduction or exemption from payment of the Beach Business Improvement Assessments required by law or authorized by the City Commission shall be supplemented by any legally available funds, or combination of such funds, and shall not be paid for by proceeds or funds derived from the Beach Business Improvement Assessments.

- (F) As authorized in Section 2.13 of the Ordinance, interim Beach Business Improvement Assessments are also levied and imposed against all property for which a Certificate of Occupancy is issued after adoption of this Final Assessment Resolution based upon the rates of assessment approved herein.
- (G) Beach Business Improvement Assessments shall constitute a lien upon the Assessed Property so assessed equal in rank and dignity with the liens of all state, county, district or municipal taxes and other non-ad valorem assessments. Except as otherwise provided by law, such lien shall be superior in dignity to all other liens, titles and claims, until paid.
- (H) The Assessment Roll, as herein approved, together with the correction of any errors or omissions as provided for in the Ordinance, shall be delivered to the Tax Collector for collection using the tax bill collection method in the manner prescribed by the Ordinance. The Assessment Roll, as delivered to the Tax Collector, shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Non Ad Valorem Assessment Roll in substantially the same form attached hereto as Appendix C.
- <u>SECTION 4</u>. CONFIRMATION OF PRELIMINARY RATE RESOLUTION. The Preliminary Rate Resolution is hereby confirmed with the modifications to the rate of assessment and estimated Beach Business Improvement Assessed Cost as provided herein.
- <u>SECTION 5</u>. EFFECT OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION. The adoption of this Annual Rate Resolution shall be the final adjudication of the issues presented (including, but not limited to, the determination of special benefit and fair apportionment to the Assessed Property, the method of apportionment and assessment, the rate of assessment, the Assessment Roll and the levy and lien of the Beach Business Improvement Assessments), unless proper steps shall be initiated in a court of competent jurisdiction to secure relief within 20 days from the date of this Annual Rate Resolution.
- <u>SECTION 6</u>. SEVERABILITY. If any clause, section or other part of this resolution shall be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such unconstitutional or invalid part shall be considered as eliminated and in no way effecting the validity of the other provisions of this resolution.
- <u>SECTION 7</u>. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Final Assessment Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

ADOPTED this the _	day of September, 2012.
	Mayor JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER
ATTEST:	
City Clerk JONDA JOSEPH	

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APPENDIX A

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared, Valerie Florestal, who, after being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Valerie Florestal, Financial Administrator for the Department of Economic Development, for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida ("City") affirms that the notices required by the Business Improvement Assessment Ordinance No. C-06-34 adopted by the City Commission on October 3, 2006 (the "Assessment Ordinance") to be prepared in conformance with the Preliminary Rate Resolution adopted by the City Commission on July 10, 2012 (the "Preliminary Rate Resolution") were not required to be mailed. The Preliminary Rate Resolution directed and authorized notice only to affected owners in the event circumstances described in Section 2.08(E) of the Assessment Ordinance so required and no such circumstances have occurred.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Valeriè lefestal, Affiant

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF BROWARD

The foregoing Affidavit of Mailing was sworn to and subscribed before me this Clark of IIIIII , 2012, by Valerie Florestal, Financial Administrator for the Department of Sustainable Development for the City of Fort Lauderdale, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. She is personally known to me.

Printed Name

Notary Public, State of Torida EXPIRES: May 3, 2016

My Commission Expire Commission No.:

GINA M. RIZZUTI