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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO FLORIDA'S DIVISION OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES TO PLACE A STATE HISTORIC MARKER IN THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE AT THE JIMMY EVERT TENNIS CENTER ENTRANCE TO HONOR CHRISTINE MARIE "CHRIS" EVERT, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Historical Marker Program, managed by the State of Florida Division of Historical Resources, marks significant historical sites and individuals across the state of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Christine Marie "Chris" Evert is a notable individual for her many achievements in tennis; and

WHEREAS, Chris Evert was the number one tennis player in the world from 1975 to 1987; and

WHEREAS, Chris Evert was trained by her father, Jimmy Evert, starting at the age of five at Holiday Park's tennis courts; and

WHEREAS, Chris Evert, by 1969, had become the Number 1 ranked under-14 girl in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Chris Evert won eighteen (18) Grand Slam Women's titles, including a record seven (7) French Open titles, a joint record of six (6) US Open titles; and

WHEREAS, Chris Evert was named the Associated Press Female Athlete of the Year four (4) times.

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

<u>SECTION 1</u>. The Fort Lauderdale City Commission recognizes Christine Marie "Chris" Evert's great achievements and authorizes the proper City Officials to submit an application, and any other necessary documentation, to the State of Florida's Division of Historical Resources to place

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a State Historic Marker at the Jimmy Evert Tennis Center's entrance, thereby perpetuating the memory and history of Christine Marie "Chris" Evert and her great achievements, and further the Fort Lauderdale City Commission pledges to install and maintain such marker.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. That the City Manager shall be enabled to administratively execute any ancillary related agreements and other documents to carry out the intent of this item, and that the Office of the City Attorney shall review and approve as to form said agreements and other documents prior to their execution by City Manager.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall be in full force and effect upon final passage.

ADOPTED this 18th day of February, 2025

Mayor DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

City Clerk

DAVID Ř. SOLOMAN

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS:

Interim City Attorney D'WAYNE M. SPENCE Dean J. Trantalis

John C. Herbst Yea

Steven Glassman

Pamela Beasley-Pittman Yea

Ben Sorensen

<u>Yea</u>

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