RESOLUTION NO. 12-167

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING COMMITMENT TO THE PRINCIPLES OF SMART GROWTH UTILIZING THE SMART GROWTH PARTNERSHIP'S TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale wishes to create a fiscally healthy and sustainable community through the evaluation and implementation of smart growth principles; and

WHEREAS, the term "smart growth" is based upon land use and transportation that concentrates growth to avoid urban sprawl and advocates compact, transit-oriented, walkable and bicycle-friendly communities that include neighborhood schools and mixed-use developments with a range of housing choices appropriate for the context of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale has already shown commitment to these principles by applying for and receiving Smart Growth Partnership's technical assistance grant to evaluate and educate the City on Smart Growth techniques that strive to strengthen and improve the health of its citizenry and community; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Lauderdale wishes to continue the momentum created from the Smart Growth Partnership's technical assistance by incorporating smart growth principles where appropriate throughout the City;

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

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That the foregoing recitals contained in the preamble to this Resolution are incorporated by reference herein.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. That the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale will continue the effort to adopt and educate the community about land use planning and policies that preserve open space and create compact, walkable urban communities, while promoting transportation options such as bicycle trails, commute trip reduction programs and opportunities for carpooling and public transportation.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. That the City Commission will support incorporation of smart growth principles into the City's Comprehensive Plan and applicable zoning regulations for the health and well-being of the community.

<u>SECTION 4</u>. That the City Clerk will forward a copy of this resolution to the Smart Growth Partnership.

SECTION 5. That this resolution shall be in full force and effect upon final passage.

ADOPTED this the 5th day of September, 2012.

JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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