RESOLUTION NO. 14-162

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, IN SUPPORT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES COUNCIL OF BROWARD COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the Children's Services Council of Broward County was established by voters in 2000 as a special district to improve the lives of children and families in Broward County; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Services Council provides the leadership, advocacy and resources necessary to enhance children's lives and empower them to become responsible, productive adults through collaborative planning and funding of a continuum of quality care; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Services Council uses dedicated funding to provide resources for a wide variety of programs designed to help every child lead a healthy, safe and productive life; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Services Council provides children with early learning skills for reading and literacy along with access to after-school and summer programs that help them succeed in school; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Services Council provides support services for children who are having mental health or behavior issues, and programs for children with special developmental or physical challenges to help them achieve independence; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Services Council develops school partnerships to address underachievement among black and Hispanic students and diversion programs for young people who commit minor offenses in order to keep our streets safe and children out of our juvenile justice system; and

WHEREAS, the Children's Services Council accomplishes its goals with accountability and oversight of taxpayer dollars by funding over 100 "provider" agencies throughout the county who meet clearly defined goals and outcomes in order to monitor the quality and performance of programs; and

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

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That the City Commission supports the Children's Services Council of Broward County, its mission and activities.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon and after its passage.

ADOPTED this the 16th day of September, 2014.

Mayor

JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER

ATTEST:

City Clerk

JONDA K. JOSEPH

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