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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: December 19, 2017

TITLE: Resolution Supporting the Display of the National and State of Florida

Motto "In God We Trust" in the City Commission Chambers Along with the

City Logo

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt a Resolution supporting the display of the United States of America and State of Florida motto "In God We Trust" in the City Commission Chambers along with the City logo.

Background

"In God We Trust" was adopted by the Florida Legislature as part of the state seal in 1868, and in 2006 was officially designated in state statute as the State of Florida's motto. On November 1, 2011, in the 1st Session of the 112th Congress, the House of Representatives approved a Concurrent Resolution reaffirming "In God We Trust" as the official motto of the United States supporting and encouraging the public display of the national motto in all public buildings, public schools, and other government institutions. The words "In God We Trust" appear over the entrance to the Senate Chamber, above the Speaker's rostrum in the House Chamber, and on all paper currency which is legal tender in the United States.

As of today, twenty-one (21) cities and counties in the State of Florida have approved displaying the National Motto "In God We Trust" in their public buildings.

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact to the City.

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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