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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING EUGENE M. STEINFELD, ESQUIRE, AS A SPECIAL MAGISTRATE FOR THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE FOR PURPOSES OF HEARING REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION REQUESTS FOR COMMUNITY RESIDENCES

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2018, the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale enacted Ordinance No. C-18-11, therein amending the City's Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) to regulate Community Residences, which are not licensed by the State of Florida, but provide a residential environment conducive to rehabilitation for persons with disabilities in our communities; and

WHEREAS, Sec. 47-24.13 of the City's ULDR implements a procedure for processing requests for reasonable accommodations for housing for persons with disabilities as provided by the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. §3601, et seq.) and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §12131, et seq.); and

WHEREAS, Sec. 47-24.13(E) of the City's ULDR provides for the utilization of Special Magistrates for hearing and acting upon requests for reasonable accommodations, and sets forth the criteria requisite for serving as a Special Magistrate; and

WHEREAS, Eugene M. Steinfeld, Esquire, meets the qualifications for appointment as Special Magistrate; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale deems it to be in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Fort Lauderdale to appoint Eugene M. Steinfeld as Special Magistrate for the City of Fort Lauderdale for purposes of hearing requests for reasonable accommodations for Community Residences in accordance with §47-24.13, et seq., of the City's ULDR.

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

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That the City Commission does hereby appoint Eugene M. Steinfeld, Esquire, as Special Magistrate for the City of Fort Lauderdale for purposes of hearing requests for reasonable accommodations for Community Residences pursuant to §47-24.13, et seq., of the City's ULDR, at a compensation rate of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) for each appearance for the first three (3) hours plus \$150.00 per hour for each additional hour for each appearance as

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the Special Magistrate. An appearance is comprised of pre-hearing preparation; appearing as Special Magistrate and hearing cases on one day; travel time; and executing orders, whether at City Hall or elsewhere.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. That the person hereby appointed shall serve until December 31, 2022.

ADOPTED, this the ____ day of February, 2020.

Mayor DEAN J. TRANTALIS

ATTEST:

City Clerk JEFFREY A. MODARELLI