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**CITY OF MIRAMAR  
MIRAMAR, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 08-167**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIRAMAR, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE CITY OF MIRAMAR'S GREEN INITIATIVES; AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO IMPLEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES THAT IMPROVE AIR QUALITY IN THE CITY, PRESERVE NATURAL RESOURCES, INCREASE THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY OF THE CITY'S FLEET OF VEHICLES AND PROMOTE AWARENESS OF ALTERNATIVE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES AND PRACTICES; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PURCHASE OR LEASE UP TO THREE HYBRID VEHICLES AND PERMIT ELECTED OFFICIALS TO UTILIZE THE HYBRID VEHICLES ON EITHER A TEMPORARY OR TAKE HOME BASIS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, air pollution and natural resource depletion are major public health concerns; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miramar can play an important role in improving air quality, preserving natural resources, raising public awareness of alternative energy sources and reducing greenhouse gas emissions by adopting policies and practices that diminish City fleet emissions, promote the responsible use of natural resources and educate the community on ways they can help improve the environment for future generations; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is one of 852 municipalities in the United States that has signed and adopted the U.S. Mayors' Climate Protection Agreement, which provides for local governments to take measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in

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accordance with internationally recognized goals and standards; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission has directed City staff to conduct a comprehensive review of the City's Green Initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has begun implementing environmentally-sensitive practices including, but not limited to: the use of non-toxic, biodegradable fuel for the City's bus shuttle system, Miramar Town Center's mixed-use zoning setting, a Green Initiatives section on the City's website, a paperless agenda product for City Commission Meetings, utilization of energy efficient lighting systems and expansion of the City's recycling program; and

**WHEREAS**, the City faces high and fluctuating gasoline prices; and

**WHEREAS**, alternative fuel vehicles produce significantly lower amounts of greenhouse gas and other emissions; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miramar recognizes that by improving the energy efficiency of its fleet, savings may result in the long term, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miramar wishes to exercise its position in the marketplace by ensuring that purchases and expenditures of public monies are made in a manner consistent with the City's desire to preserve natural resources, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and educate the public on alternative energy technologies; and

**WHEREAS**, the City, as a public body, has an opportunity to provide a positive example to its citizens about environmental actions such as recycling, and using environmentally sound and sustainable technologies and practices; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of Miramar deems it to be in the best interest of the citizens and residents of Miramar to support the City's Green Initiatives, authorize the City to implement policies and procedures that reduce natural resource depletion and greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality in the City, and increase the energy efficiency of the City's fleet of vehicles, and authorize the City Manager to purchase or lease up to three hybrid vehicles and permit elected officials to utilize the hybrid vehicles on either a temporary or take home basis, so long as the officials certify that they will comply fully with IRS vehicle personal use requirements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIRAMAR, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1:** That the foregoing "**WHEREAS**" clauses are ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are made a specific part of this Resolution.

**Section 2:** That the City Commission supports the City's Green Initiatives and authorizes the City to implement policies and procedures that reduce natural resource depletion and greenhouse gas emissions, improve air quality in the City, and increase the energy efficiency of the City's fleet of vehicles, and authorize the City Manager to

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purchase or lease up to three hybrid vehicles, and permit elected officials to utilize the hybrid vehicles on either a temporary or take home basis, so long as the officials certify that they will comply fully with IRS vehicle personal use requirements.

**Section 3:** That the City of Miramar will demonstrate its commitment to reducing greenhouse gases and fuel related expenditures by actively promoting its use of fuel efficient and low emission vehicles and environmentally sound and sustainable technologies and practices.

**Section 4:** That, whenever practical, the City of Miramar will purchase fuel efficient or low emission vehicles for its non-emergency automotive fleet without exceeding the amount budgeted for vehicle acquisitions.

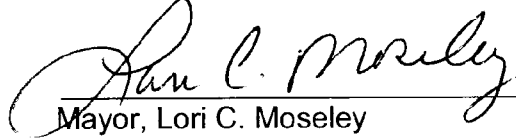
**Section 5:** That the City of Miramar will continue to actively pursue federal, state, and other incentive programs related to clean air and energy efficiency.

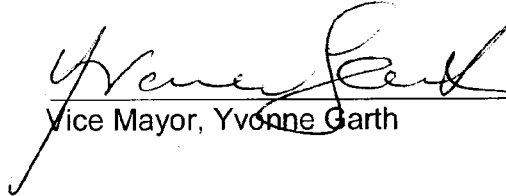
**Section 6:** That the appropriate City Officials are authorized to do all things necessary and expedient in order to carry out the aims of this Resolution.

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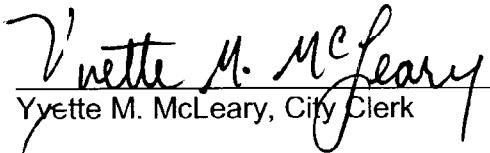
**Section 7:** That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 21 day of May, 2008.

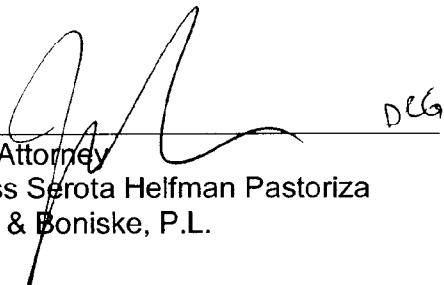
  
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Mayor, Lori C. Moseley

  
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Vice Mayor, Yvonne Garth

ATTEST:

  
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Yvette M. McLeary, City Clerk

HEREBY CERTIFY that I have  
approved this RESOLUTION  
as to form:

  
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City Attorney  
Weiss Serota Helfman Pastoriza  
Cole & Boniske, P.L.

<u>Requested by Administration</u>	<u>Voted</u>
Commissioner Winston F. Barnes	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Mayor Yvonne Garth	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Carl J. Lanke	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Troy R. Samuels	<u>Yes</u>
Mayor Lori C. Moseley	<u>Yes</u>