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Resolution

A Resolution of the Cocoanut Grove Village Council supporting Miami-Dade County's effort to have listed the Coconut Grove Playhouse on the National Register of Historic Places.

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2006 the Cocoanut Grove Village Council wrote and accepted a Resolution supporting Historical Designation for the entire Coconut Grove Playhouse site; and

WHEREAS, on the Resolution there was referenced overwhelming historical evidence; from design, construction and cultural significance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Historic and Environmental Preservation Board has designated the Coconut Grove Playhouse property as a historic site; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County met all requirements imposed by lease with the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners approved a contract with the design team led by Arquitectonica and approved an agreement with GableStage to operate and program the planned 300-seat theater; and

WHEREAS, the design team hired by Miami-Dade County for work on the Coconut Grove Playhouse project includes noted historic preservation architect Jorge L. Hernandez, who has served as Chair of the State of Florida Historic Preservation Advisory Council, Vice Chair of the Florida Historical Commission and a trustee of the Florida Trust; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Department of Cultural Affairs has submitted a Special Category Grant application requesting \$500,000 in capital support from Florida Department of State Division of Historical Resources; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs is working cooperatively with the Florida Department of State Division of Historical Resources on their submission of an application for the Coconut Grove Playhouse to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs has worked closely with the Coconut Grove Civic Club for the installation of a Florida Historical Marker to be installed outside of the Coconut Grove Playhouse by the end of August 2016.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COCOANUT GROVE VILLAGE COUNCIL:

- 1) To safeguard a priceless cultural, historical, and architectural asset;
- 2) To ensure public input;
- 3) To secure that any future redevelopment of "The Playhouse" is sensitive to the unique Mediterranean style and perpetuates the low density ambiance of the village center; and
- 4) To preserve a piece of history that can be enjoyed for future generations.

WE THEREFORE, support Miami-Dade County's effort to have listed the Coconut Grove Playhouse on the National Register of Historic Places.

By: _____
Chairperson, Coconut Grove Village Council

Date: _____

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Secretary, Coconut Grove Village Council

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