

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 6, 2021

SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF

COMMISSIONER DALE V.C. HOLNESS







Broward County Administrator and the Broward County Commissior.

Re: Support for Local Community Identification Program

Dear Broward County Administrator and the Broward County Commission:

As a Lauderdale Lakes City Commission, I wish to state my enthusiastic support for a Community ID Program in our city. I believe such a Program will help our residents in various important ways. A Community ID would provide residents with a form of identification to present when one is requested by institutions such as schools and hospitals as well as businesses and government agencies. Many of our undocumented friends and neighbors do not have official state IDs or Drivers Licenses, but a Community ID may assist in helping them get the goods and services they need. I am aware such an ID would not replace the need for official identification in certain circumstances, but whenever and wherever possible, a Community ID could be the difference between getting the assistance a resident need or is going without.

I will work toward implementing this Program, if given the opportunity, and will work with businesses and institutions, encouraging them to accept such identification as they would a State ID or a State Driver's License. I want to support our undocumented residents, to become an even more integral part of our city, to make them feel welcome, and more at ease so they can succeed. Their success means we all succeed in a safe friendly open environment, as neighbors, friends, employees and partners.

Sincerely,

Karlene Maxwell-Williams Lauderdale Lakes Commissioner

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