## **ITEM #21**

(Replacement Pages 3 and 4 of Exhibit 2)

## ADDITIONAL MATERIAL REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 8, 2024

SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF

**COMMISSIONER MARK D. BOGEN** 

Article V of the Broward County Code of Ordinances, Section 26-67, et seq., the following Standards of Conduct shall apply to each Elected Official:

(1) Acceptance of gifts.

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No Elected Official or relative, registered domestic partner, or a. governmental office staff of any Elected Official, shall accept any gift, directly or indirectly, any gift of food and/or nonalcoholic beverages with a value in excess of \$20.00 \$25.00 or any other gift with a value in excess of \$5.00, from lobbyists registered with the governmental entity on whose behalf they (or their registered domestic partner or relative) serve, or from any principal or employer of any such registered lobbyist, or from vendors or contractors of such governmental entity. In order to effectuate this provision, no lobbyist shall engage in any lobbying activity prior to registering as a lobbyist with the applicable governmental entity. For purposes of this paragraph, neither Broward County, any municipality within Broward County, nor any other governmental entity shall be considered a registered lobbyist, a principal or employer of a registered lobbyist, or a vendor or contractor of any governmental entity within Broward County.

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Section 2. Section 26-73 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 26-73. Code of Ethics.

68 (a) Solicitation or Acceptance of Gifts. 69 County employees shall not solicit or accept any gift, regardless of value, in (1) 70 their official capacity as employees, nor shall they solicit or accept any gift 71 in either an official or personal capacity that may be reasonably perceived 72 to be given to encourage or discourage them from taking any action in 73 connection with their County employment. 74 . . . 75 Notwithstanding Section 26-73(a)(1), the office staff of County (6) 76 Commissioners may, with written approval of the County Commissioner for 77 whom the staff member works, accept gifts of food and/or nonalcoholic beverages with a value not greater than \$20.00 \$25.00. 78 79 80 Section 3. Conflicting Earlier Ordinances Superseded. 81 To the extent any provision of this Ordinance, including its manner of enactment 82 by a simple majority vote of the Board, conflicts with Ordinance No. 2010-22, 83 Ordinance No. 2011-19, or Ordinance No. 2015-55, this Ordinance supersedes and 84 amends said earlier ordinances solely to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4. Severability.

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If any portion of this Ordinance is determined by any court to be invalid, the invalid portion will be stricken, and such striking will not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance. If any court determines that this Ordinance, in whole or in part, cannot be legally applied to any individual, group, entity, property, or circumstance, such