

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING FEEDING SOUTH FLORIDA, INC., IN ITS APPLICATION FOR A CONTRACT TO DISTRIBUTE USDA FOODS FOR THE EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND URGING THE STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, TO RECONSIDER FEEDING SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.'S, APPLICATION AND THE SCORING OF SAME; DIRECTING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, NICOLE "NIKKI" FRIED; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Sponsored by Commissioner Lamar P. Fisher)

WHEREAS, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") desires to express its support for Feeding South Florida, Inc. ("FSF"), in its application to Advertisement Number 225FL818Y8105 for a contract to distribute within Broward County USDA Foods for The Emergency Food Assistance Program ("EFAP");

WHEREAS, the Board urges the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (the "Department") and Commissioner Nicole "Nikki" Fried to reconsider the submitted applications and rescore these applications;

WHEREAS, for the past decade, and most recently during the COVID-19 Pandemic, FSF has been an invaluable ally of Broward County and has provided significant amounts of food for families in crisis through a very similar contract;

WHEREAS, FSF responded to Hurricane Irma, government shutdowns, and the pandemic by creating drive-thru distributions, partnering with school districts to provide family meal boxes, developing home delivery programs, and helping to ensure that

1 Broward County residents, amongst others, have an opportunity to obtain needed meals;
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3 WHEREAS, FFS possesses the experience, infrastructure, and capacity
4 necessary to handle a contract of this magnitude,

5 NOW, THEREFORE,

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7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
8 BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA:

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10 Section 1. The Board hereby supports FSF in its application in connection with
11 Advertisement Number 225FL818Y8105 for a contract to distribute USDA foods for the
12 EFAP and urges the Department to reconsider FSF's application and the scoring of same.

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14 Section 2. The County Administrator is directed to transmit a certified copy of
15 this Resolution to Commissioner Nikki Fried.

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17 Section 3. Severability.

18 If any portion of this Resolution is determined by any court to be invalid, the invalid
19 portion will be stricken, and such striking will not affect the validity of the remainder of this
20 Resolution. If any court determines that this Resolution, in whole or in part, cannot be
21 legally applied to any individual, group, entity, property, or circumstance, such
22 determination will not affect the applicability of this Resolution to any other individual,
23 group, entity, property, or circumstance.

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