

**PROPOSED**

## ORDINANCE NO.

1 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD  
2 COUNTY, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO FLUORIDATION IN PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS;  
3 REPEALING ARTICLE V OF CHAPTER 34 AND SECTIONS 34-118 THROUGH 34-122 OF  
4 THE BROWARD COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES ("CODE"); AND PROVIDING FOR  
5 SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

6 (Sponsored by the Board of County Commissioners)  
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8 WHEREAS, certain provisions of the Broward County Code of Ordinances ("Code")  
9 from 1972 require that public water systems include fluorides in accordance with the then-  
10 current standards set forth in the Florida Administrative Code;

11 WHEREAS, the referenced provisions of the Florida Administrative Code were  
12 subsequently repealed, and the Florida Legislature recently enacted Senate Bill 700, signed  
13 by the Governor on May 15, 2025, which prohibits any additive in a public water system that  
14 does not qualify as a "water quality additive," as defined by Florida law; and

15 WHEREAS, although the Code provisions at issue are no longer enforced, the Board  
16 of County Commissioners finds it appropriate to repeal the provisions to avoid any public  
17 confusion,

18 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD  
19 COUNTY, FLORIDA:

20 Section 1. Article V of Chapter 34 and Sections 34-118 through 34-122 of the  
21 Broward County Code of Ordinances are hereby repealed in their entirety.

Section 2. Severability.

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 determination will not affect the applicability of this Ordinance to any other individual, group, entity, property, or circumstance.

Section 3. Inclusion in the Broward County Code of Ordinances.

It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners that the provisions of this Ordinance become part of the Broward County Code of Ordinances as of the effective date. The sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or such other appropriate word or phrase to the extent necessary to accomplish such intention.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance is effective as of the date provided by law.

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FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

EFFECTIVE

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:  
Andrew J. Meyers, County Attorney

By: /s/ René D. Harrod 05/23/2025  
René D. Harrod (date)  
Chief Deputy County Attorney

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