

**RESOLUTION No. 25-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY OF DORAL “GOLDEN HEARTS SENIOR SUPPORT GRANT PROGRAM”; PROVIDING FOR PURPOSE, ELIGIBILITY, PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION, FUNDING ALLOCATION, AND OVERSIGHT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Doral (the “City”) desires to support its senior residents who are among the most financially vulnerable; and

**WHEREAS**, reductions in county-level programs have created a gap in financial support for seniors residing in the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council find it to be in the best interest of the City and its residents to establish a program providing direct financial assistance to qualifying senior households to help address essential living costs while maintaining the City’s fiscal health and ability to provide essential services; an

**WHEREAS**, the “Golden Hearts: Senior Support Grant Program” (the “Program”) establishes a structured, objective, and consistent plan to provide a one-time direct grant to qualifying senior households, with funding determined annually by Council during the budget process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Program is a proper and necessary exercise of the City’s home-rule powers to assist vulnerable adults in need; and

**WHEREAS**, for Fiscal Year 2025–2026, the City has proposed the allocation of Fifty Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$50,000.00) to fund the program, allowing for one-time grants of \$200.00 per qualifying household, estimated to benefit approximately 250 senior households; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.02 of the City's Charter recognizes the Mayor as the head of City Government; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council wish to approve and adopt the Golden Hearts Program policy as set forth and attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and incorporated herein by reference.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Recitals.** The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2. Approval.** The City Council hereby approves and adopts the "Golden Hearts: Senior Support Grant Program" Policy, attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

**Section 3. Administration.** The Finance Department shall administer the program consistent with the policy, including establishing a simple process for verification and distribution, verifying eligibility through Miami-Dade Property Appraiser's records of current Senior Homestead Exemption holders, and disbursing funds directly to eligible households by City-issued check or comparable payment method. Grants will be accompanied by formal communications from the Mayor's Office, as per Section 2.02 of the City's Charter prescribed above.

**Section 4. Implementation.** The City Manager and, his or her designee, and the City Attorney shall have all the requisite authority to carry out this resolution, and execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the Golden Hearts Senior Support Grant Program.

**Section 5. Funding.** The Golden Hearts: Senior Support Grant Program shall be funded through budgeted funds.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Mayor Christi Fraga.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_ who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Christi Fraga	_____
Vice Mayor Maureen Porras	_____
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	_____
Councilman Rafael Pineyro	_____
Councilwoman Nicole Reinoso	_____

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10 day of September, 2025.

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CHRISTI FRAGA, MAYOR

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
CONNIE DIAZ, MMC  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY  
FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF DORAL ONLY:

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CITY ATTORNEY