

RESOLUTION No. 25-

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR H.R. 1348, THE “VENEZUELAN ADJUSTMENT ACT,” OR SIMILAR LEGISLATION THAT WOULD AUTHORIZE THE SECRETARY OF HOMELAND SECURITY TO ADJUST THE STATUS OF LAW ABIDING VENEZUELAN NATIONALS TO LAWFULLY ADMITTED PERMANENT RESIDENTS; EXPRESSING CONCERN OVER THE SUSPENSION OF TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS (TPS) FOR VENEZUELAN AND ITS IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Venezuelan-American community has made significant cultural, economic, and social contributions to Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the City of Doral (“City”) is home to a large number of Venezuelan residents, who comprise approximately forty percent (40%) of its population, and who have fled political oppression and severe economic and humanitarian crises in their home country; and

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2023, a bipartisan group of members of the U.S. House of Representatives introduced H.R. 4048, the “Venezuelan Adjustment Act,” which authorizes the Secretary of Homeland Security to adjust the status of certain law-abiding Venezuelan nationals to that of lawful permanent residents, thereby providing a pathway to stability and economic contribution for eligible Venezuelans; and

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2025, Congresswoman Maria Elvira Salazar reintroduced the Venezuelan Adjustment Act via House Resolution (H.R.) 1348, A true and correct copy of the H.R. 1348 is attached hereto as Exhibit “A.”; and

WHEREAS, the recent suspension of the Temporary Protected Status (TPS) order for Venezuelans has placed thousands of law abiding individuals and their families in legal and economic uncertainty, limiting their ability to work, support their families, and contribute to the community; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Venezuelan Adjustment Act is a crucial legislative solution to offer permanent relief to Venezuelans who have already established their lives in the United States and who continue to be unable to return safely to Venezuela; and

WHEREAS, the Venezuelan Community remains a vitally important civic and economic engine for the City of Doral growth and social impact; and

WHEREAS, the City applauds Congresswoman Maria Elvira Salazar's efforts to advance the Venezuelan Adjustment Act; and States and who continue to be unable to return safely to Venezuela; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to reaffirm its commitment to the Venezuelan community by strongly supporting the Venezuelan Adjustment Act and advocating for alternative legal protections that ensure the well-being and stability of Venezuelan residents.

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

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made part hereof by this reference.

Section 2. Continued Support for the Venezuelan Adjustment Act. The City Council for the City of Doral reaffirms its support for for House Bill 1348, commonly known as the Venezuelan Adjustment Act, and any similar legislation that would authorize the

Secretary of Homeland Security to adjust the status of certain Venezuelan nationals to lawfully admitted permanent residents.

Section 3. Transmittal. The City Clerk for the City of Doral is hereby directed to transmit certified copies of this resolution to U.S. Representatives Maria Elvira Salazar (co-sponsor), Mario Diaz-Balart, Carlos Gimenez and the remaining South Florida members of the U.S. House of Representatives, as well as to the offices of Florida's U.S. Senators.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Councilman Rafael Pineyro.

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 12 day of March, 2025.

CHRISTI FRAGA, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CONNIE DIAZ, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
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