

RESOLUTION No. 26-

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE STRENGTHENED ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL SANCTIONS AGAINST THE CUBAN REGIME; URGING FEDERAL AUTHORITIES TO REVIEW AND INVESTIGATE CERTAIN CUBA-RELATED BUSINESS AUTHORIZATIONS; SUPPORTING TRANSPARENCY AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL (OFAC) REQUIREMENTS; SUPPORTING INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION TO PREVENT SANCTIONS ABUSE; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City of Doral is a multicultural and international community that is home to residents who have sought freedom, democracy, and economic opportunity in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the City of Doral contains one of the largest expatriate communities from Latin America and the Caribbean, including individuals and families directly impacted by authoritarian regimes; and

WHEREAS, the United States maintains federal sanctions against the Cuban government due to documented concerns related to human rights violations, suppression of democratic freedoms, and threats to regional security; and

WHEREAS, recent legislative action adopted by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners raised concerns regarding the potential abuse of Cuba-related federal authorizations and sanctions loopholes that may allow funds, goods, or services to benefit entities affiliated with the Cuban regime; and

WHEREAS, such action urged federal authorities to suspend certain Cuba-related business licenses pending full federal investigation to ensure compliance with sanctions laws and to prevent unauthorized economic activity; and

WHEREAS, federal leaders have emphasized that economic transactions involving Cuba risk providing financial support that may indirectly benefit the Cuban government and its affiliated entities; and

WHEREAS, the municipal leadership correspondence has further raised concerns that federal authorizations and commercial channels may be misused by regime-affiliated networks and highlighted the importance of verifying compliance with Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Doral supports transparency, lawful commerce, federal compliance, and the protection of residents and businesses from inadvertently participating in activities that may violate federal sanctions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Doral stands in solidarity with individuals who seek democratic governance, human rights protections, and economic liberty; and

WHEREAS, Councilman Rafael Pineyro, as sponsor of this resolution, recognizes the City of Doral's longstanding commitment to promoting freedom, supporting immigrant communities, and encouraging responsible intergovernmental cooperation.

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

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein.

Section 2. Support for Enforcement. The City of Doral supports federal efforts to strengthen enforcement of sanctions policies relating to Cuba and encourages thorough review of federal authorizations connected to commercial transactions involving sanctioned entities.

Section 3. Federal Review Request. The City respectfully urges the President of the United States, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, and OFAC to review Cuba-related business authorizations and suspend licenses where appropriate pending compliance investigations.

Section 4. Transparency and Compliance. The City supports policies requiring clear verification of OFAC authorization for sanctioned transactions and encourages regulatory clarity for businesses and residents.

Section 5. Intergovernmental Coordination. The City encourages collaboration among federal, state, county, and municipal entities to identify potential sanctions violations and protect lawful commerce.

Section 6. Advocacy for Human Rights. The City reaffirms its support for democratic values, human rights, and freedom for the Cuban people and all individuals living under authoritarian governance.

Section 7. Transmittal. The City Clerk shall distribute copies of this Resolution to federal and state officials, Miami-Dade County leadership, and appropriate governmental agencies.

Section 8. Implementation. The City Manager and City Attorney are authorized to take any additional actions necessary to implement this Resolution, including making any modifications, executing any documents and addendums as necessary to effectuate this Resolution, provided that such actions remain consistent with the Council's intent.

Section 8. 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 Digna Cabral	_____
Councilman Rafael Pineyro	_____
Councilwoman Maureen Porras	_____
Councilwoman Nicole Reinoso	_____

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18 day of February, 2026.

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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