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Date: March 12, 2025

To: Mayor Christi Fraga  
Vice Mayor Maureen Porras  
Councilman Rafael Pineyro  
Councilwoman Nicole Reinoso

From: Councilwoman Digna Cabral

Subject: **Rock mine Blasting**

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## **Introduction**

The effects of rock mine blasting have negatively impacted real property owned by City of Doral home and business owners. Specifically, many rock mine operators use heavy explosives that create shockwaves that over time cause damage to the integrity of real property.

Currently, Florida law does not provide an avenue for affected persons to be able to bring their grievances before a Florida Court. Additionally, the ability for people to recover monetary damages from rock miners are significantly limited by harsh statute of limitation on claims. The result is that thousands of homeowners in N.W. Miami-Dade County have suffered property damages as a result of rock mine blasting without the ability to obtain relief from rock-miners.

Recently, Florida State Representative Tom Fabricio and Senator Bryan Avila have both introduced legislation, namely House Bill 303 and Senate Bill 486 aimed at providing Doral residents and business owners with an avenue to have their grievances heard, and to obtain necessary relief. Specifically, if passed, these bills will expand the statute of limitations to two (2) years, provide a relief fund for aggrieved property owners to have their damages redressed and a more equitable administrative hearing process.

**Fiscal Impact:** This item will not have a fiscal impact.

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### **Recommendation**

While the proposed legislation does not address resident's ability to have their matter addressed in a State Court, it does provide for a much-improved process that will benefit many Doral residents and business owners that have been negatively affected by rock mine blasting.

For these reasons, I urge my colleagues to support this resolution in support of Representative Tom Fabricio and Senator Bryan Avila's companion Bill's, which will provide our residents with immediate relief.