

RESOLUTION NO. 23- 10

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, INDICATING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' SUPPORT OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO LIGHT THE BOB GRAHAM SUNSHINE SKYWAY BRIDGE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Bob Graham Sunshine Skyway Bridge (Skyway Bridge) is a part of the State and federal highway system that spans Tampa Bay, with its northern terminus located in Pinellas County, its southern terminus located in Manatee County, and a portion of the bridge also located within Hillsborough County; and

WHEREAS, the bridge is an asset of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), which can be lit in a manner to recognize or commemorate federal or state holidays and events of broad community interest or significance; and

WHEREAS, while FDOT reserves the right to decide bridge lighting displays, it is the policy of FDOT to seek and obtain the approval of local governments within which bridges are located prior to lighting the bridge; and

WHEREAS, FDOT routinely seeks the approval of Pinellas County accomplished by resolution of support by the Board of County Commissioners (Board); and

WHEREAS, formal action of the Board, including adoption of resolutions, cannot be accomplished outside of a properly noticed meeting that complies with Florida's sunshine laws.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, Florida, at a duly assembled meeting held on this 31st day of January, 2023, as follows:

Section 1. The Board of County Commissioners has previously indicated its support via letter or resolution for the following organizations and/or causes:

- a. Alopecia Areata Awareness
- b. Alzheimer's Awareness
- c. Breast Cancer Awareness
- d. Donate Life Spirit Week
- e. Drug Overdose Awareness
- f. Lennox-Gastaut Syndrome Awareness
- g. Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness
- h. Operation Green Light for Veterans
- i. Ovarian Cancer Awareness
- j. Paint the Town Blue
- k. Prematurity Awareness

- l. Pride Month
- m. Red Ribbon Week
- n. Superior Mesenteric Artery Syndrome
- o. Tampa Bay Buccaneers
- p. Tampa Bay Lightning
- q. Tampa Bay Rays
- r. To Inform Families First Initiative
- s. University of South Florida Commencement
- t. World Diabetes Day
- u. World Fragile X Awareness
- v. World MS Day

Section 2. The Board hereby indicates its continued and ongoing support recognizing the previously approved organizations and/or causes indicated herein.

Section 3. The Board intends to recognize organizations and/or causes that are not indicated herein by way of a separate supportive resolution approved by the Board, after which time it is the Board's intent that such organization and/or cause be deemed as added to the list set forth in Section 1, for which ongoing support shall be considered granted.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Commissioner _____ Justice _____ offered the foregoing Resolution and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Commissioner _____ Flowers _____, and upon roll call the vote was:

Ayes: Long, Peters, Eggers, Flowers, Justice, Latvala, and Scott.

Nays: None.

Absent not voting: None.

APPROVED AS TO FORM
By: Jewel White
Office of the County Attorney