RESOLUTION NO. 21-116

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA; AMENDING AND UPDATING THE COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 12, 2021

WHEREAS, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, assigns to the Board of County Commissioners responsibility for emergency preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation; and

WHEREAS, being prepared for emergencies means being ready to respond promptly as danger threatens, to save life and protect property and to provide relief from suffering and privation; and

WHEREAS, local services may be overburdened or inadequate and local government will have to operate effectively in different ways than in normal times to provide timely relief and minimize hardships in the event of natural and technological emergencies in Pinellas County; and

WHEREAS, many areas and parts of the communities may require evacuation, shelter and food until the emergency ends, services are restored and needed supplies and materials are available; and

WHEREAS, Rule Chapter 27P-6, Florida Administrative Code, requires each County to develop a Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and review and revise every four (4) years; and

WHEREAS, Pinellas County's 2021 Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan met compliance criteria developed by the State Division of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, Rule Chapter 27P-6.006(10), Florida Administrative Code, furthermore requires the governing body of Pinellas County to adopt by resolution, the Pinellas County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, Florida, in regular session, this <u>12th</u> Day of <u>October</u>, that Pinellas County's 2021 Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan is adopted.

This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption as provided by law and shall supersede the provisions of Resolution 17-22.

In a regular meeting duly assembled on the <u>12th</u> day of <u>October</u>, <u>2021</u>, Commissioner _____

<u>Flowers</u> offered the foregoing Resolution and moved its adoption, which was seconded by Commissioner <u>Long</u>, and upon roll call the vote was:

AYES: Eggers, Justice, Flowers, Gerard, Long, Peters, and Seel.

NAYS: None.

Absent and not voting: None.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

By: <u>Miles Belknap</u> Office of the County Attorney