

## RESOLUTION NO. 2025-021

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO FINALIZE AND EXECUTE THE RECOGNITION-ACKNOWLEDGEMENT PETITION RELATING TO THE HIGHLAND BEACH PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS, LOCAL #5504 UNION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS,** the Highland Beach Professional Firefighters, Local #5504 ("Local #5504") is an employee organization with a current registration granted by the Florida Public Employees Relations Commission on April 7, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town is a public employer as contemplated by Florida Statute Section 447.203(2) (2024); and

**WHEREAS**, Florida Statute Section 447.307(1)(a) provides that a public employer may recognize an employee organization as the collective bargaining representative of employees in the designated unit if satisfied as to the majority status of the employee organization and the appropriateness of the proposed unit; and

**WHEREAS,** the Town Commission is satisfied as to the majority status of Local #5504; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Commission is satisfied as to the appropriateness of the proposed unit to avoid over-fragmentation notwithstanding the supervisory duties of the Captain position; and

**WHEREAS,** the Town Commission determines that authorizing the Town Manager to execute the Recognition-Acknowledgement Petition submitted by Local #5504 is in the best interest of the Town and serves a valid public purpose.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Town Commission of the Town of Highland Beach, Florida, that:

**SECTION 1.** The foregoing recitals are ratified as true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein.

**SECTION 2.** The Town Commission hereby authorizes the Town Manager to finalize the Recognition-Acknowledgement Petition submitted by Local #5504, attached as Exhibit A, and execute same.

**SECTION 3.** All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with any of the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**SECTION 4.** The Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**DONE AND ADOPTED** by the Town Commission of the Town of Highland Beach, Florida, this  $2^{nd}$  day of September, 2025.

	Natasha Moore, Mayor
ATTEST:	REVIEWED FOR LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:
Lanelda Gaskins, MMC Town Clerk	Leonard Rubin, Town Attorney Town of Highland Beach

**VOTES:** 

YES NO

Mayor Natasha Moore Vice Mayor David Stern Commissioner Donald Peters Commissioner Judith M. Goldberg Commissioner Jason Chudnofsky