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RESOLUTION NO. 03-2022 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2020 REVISED PALM BEACH COUNTY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY PLAN; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County is susceptible to a variety of natural, technological, and human-caused disasters, including but not limited to, severe weather, hazardous materials incidents, nuclear power plant emergencies, communicable diseases, and domestic security incidents as well as climate change impacts and sea level rise that can cause or contribute to, increased inundation, shoreline erosion, flooding from severe weather events, accelerated saltwater contamination of ground water and surface water supplies, and expedited loss of critical habitats; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 was enacted to establish a national disaster hazard mitigation program to help reduce the loss of life and property, human suffering, and economic disruption; and to also reduce the expense associated with disaster recovery assistance, and further to assist state, local, and tribal governments in implementing effective hazard mitigation measures to ensure the continuation of critical services and facilities after a natural disaster; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires, as a condition for qualifying for and receiving future Federal mitigation assistance funding as well as reimbursement for Presidentially Declared Disasters, such governments to have Federal Emergency Management Agency approved hazard mitigation plans in place that identify the hazards that could impact their jurisdictions, identify actions and activities to mitigate the effects of those hazards, and establish a coordinated process to implement plans; and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County, in coordination with governmental and nongovernmental stakeholders having an interest in reducing the impact of disasters, and with input from the private sector and other members of the public, has developed and revised the Palm Beach County Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS); and

WHEREAS, the 2020 revised LMS has been approved by the Florida Division of Emergency Management and the Federal Emergency Management Agency subject to adoption by the County Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the LMS Steering Committee recommends the formal adoption of the 2020 Revised LMS, including planned future enhancements described therein, by the County and all 38 participating municipalities; and,

WHEREAS, the City has determined that the adoption of this Resolution serves a valid public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this resolution as true statements.

47 **Section 2.** The City Commission of the City of Lake Worth Beach, Florida,
48 approves and adopts the 2020 Revised LMS Plan (attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"** and
49 incorporated herein in its entirety), as revised by the LMS Steering Committee and
50 submitted to the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners, the Florida
51 Division of Emergency Management, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

52 **Section 3.** The City Commission of the City of Lake Worth Beach, Florida,
53 authorizes the City Manager to pursue available funding opportunities for implementation
54 of proposed mitigation initiatives described in the Revised LMS Plan, and upon receipt of
55 such funding or other necessary resources, seek to implement the actions in accordance
56 with the mitigation strategies set out by the Revised LMS Plan.

57 **Section 4.** The City Commission of the City of Lake Worth Beach, Florida, will
58 continue to support and participate in the LMS planning and implementation process as
59 required by Federal Emergency Management agency, the Florida Division of Emergency
60 Management, and the Palm Beach County LMS Steering Committee.

61 **Section 5.** The City Commission of the City of Lake Worth Beach, Florida, will
62 consider incorporating climate change concerns, sea level rise, and natural hazards into
63 its local comprehensive plan and into future reviews of flood prevention regulations and
64 zoning codes.

65 **Section 6.** The City Commission of the City of Lake Worth Beach, Florida,
66 directs the City Clerk to transmit an original of the executed resolution to the Palm Beach
67 County Division of Emergency Management, attention Local Mitigation Strategy
68 Coordinator (561-586-1647), for filing in the Office of the Clerk & Comptroller.

69 **Section 7.** This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

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71 The Mayor thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted on the 4th
72 day of January 2022.

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- 74 Mayor Betty Resch
- 75 Vice Mayor Herman Robinson
- 76 Commissioner Sarah Malega
- 77 Commissioner Christopher McVoy
- 78 Commissioner Kimberly Stokes
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80 LAKE WORTH BEACH CITY COMMISSION

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83 By: _____
84 Betty Resch, Mayor

85 ATTEST:
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89 Melissa Ann Coyne, City Clerk