CITY OF POMPANO BEACH Broward County, Florida

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, DETERMINING GOOD CAUSE FOR THE PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS AS PART OF THE INDEMNIFICATION AND DEFENSE OF LAMAR P. FISHER PURSUANT TO SECTION 34.001 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Lamar P. Fisher ("Fisher") faithfully served on the City Commission as Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach from 2007 – 2018; and

WHEREAS, following the completion of service as Mayor on August 10, 2020, a complaint with the Florida Commission on Ethics was made by a resident of Hollywood, Florida. Said complaint was based solely on a blog article and the allegations in the complaint were specifically related to Fisher's service as Mayor of Pompano Beach; and

WHEREAS, on October 27, 2021, the Florida Commission on Ethics found that no probable cause existed and dismissed the ethics complaint against Fisher; and

WHEREAS, the complaint filed against Fisher with the Florida Commission on Ethics involving his term of office as Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach resulted in the need for Fisher to obtain legal counsel to represent him in the matter, which resulted in a liability of total attorney's fees and costs of \$8,029.77 (after a professional courtesy reduction by his counsel of \$1,845.00); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to Section 34.001 of the City Code of Ordinances, the City Commission finds good cause has been shown to indemnify former Mayor Lamar P. Fisher as to the

ethics complaint filed involving his term as Mayor in which no probable cause was found and which was dismissed.

SECTION 2. That the payment of legal fees and costs to the law firm of Goren, Cherof, Doody and Ezrol for legal services and costs on behalf of Fisher in the amount of \$8,029.77, is authorized.

SECTION 3. That city staff is also authorized to use all lawful efforts to recover all such funds from the person who brought the complaint and thus caused these expenses, if possible.

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