

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017- \_\_\_\_\_**

**CITY OF POMPANO BEACH  
Broward County, Florida**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA SUPPORTING THE BROWARD METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO) AND THE CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH AS LEAD MUNICIPAL AGENCY, AND JOINING THEIR EFFORTS TO COORDINATE THE CREATION OF A QUIET ZONE ALONG A PORTION OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA RAIL CORRIDOR; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the South Florida Rail Corridor (SFRC) traverses many local government jurisdictions in Broward County; and

**WHEREAS**, South Florida Regional Transportation Authority and Amtrak operate passenger rail service and CSX operates freight service on the SFRC in Broward County; and

**WHEREAS**, it is deemed in the public interest to mitigate the impacts of the anticipated additional train traffic on the SFRC in Broward County; and

**WHEREAS**, under the Federal Train Horn Rule (49 CFR Part 222), engineers are required to sound the train horn upon approach of each grade crossing; and

**WHEREAS**, provided safety improvements are made, a “quiet zone” in which trains are not required to sound a horn at grade crossings can be effective in reducing the impact of train horn noise; and

**WHEREAS**, the creation of a contiguous quiet zone from the Miami-Dade border to the Palm Beach border within Broward County will provide the highest level of community benefit; and

**WHEREAS**, the SFRC has had additional supplemental safety measures installed which meet the Federal requirements for the creation of a Quiet Zone; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Deerfield Beach through a previous resolution, Resolution No. 2017/006, supported the creation of a Quiet Zone; and

**WHEREAS**, affected local governments are required to apply for quiet zone designation either individually or through a joint application; and

**WHEREAS**, the Broward MPO has offered to improve efficiency by assisting local governments and by coordinating the application for quiet zone designation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Deerfield Beach has offered to be the lead applicant to complete a county-wide quiet zone; now, therefore,

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

**SECTION 1.** That it hereby supports partnering with Broward County and local government jurisdictions to seek designation of a contiguous quiet zone that includes all grade crossings on the South Florida Rail Corridor.

**SECTION 2.** That it hereby supports the Broward MPO in its effort to coordinate the application for quiet zone.

**SECTION 3.** That it hereby supports the City of Deerfield Beach as the lead applicant and joins in their efforts to create a county-wide quiet zone.

**SECTION 4.** That it hereby directs the City Clerk to transmit an executed copy of this resolution to the City of Deerfield Beach and to Broward County Government and to the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization.

**SECTION 5.** This Resolution shall become effective upon passage.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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**LAMAR FISHER, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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**ASCELETA HAMMOND, CITY CLERK**

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