

1 EXHIBIT 1
2 RESOLUTION NO. 2024-

3 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION
4 OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA,
5 EXPRESSING SUPPORT OF FLORIDA HOUSE BILL 75 AND
6 SENATE BILL 184, REGARDING THE IMPEDING,
7 THREATENING, OR HARASSING OF FIRST RESPONDERS;
8 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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10 **WHEREAS**, Florida law already provides that it is a first-degree misdemeanor to
11 “knowingly and willfully harass” police and firefighters “with the intent to intimidate or
12 coerce” (them) from performing a lawful duty; and
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14 **WHEREAS**, as summarized by the Florida League of Cities, HB 75, sponsored by
15 Representative Rizo, and SB 184, sponsored by Senator Avila, would make it unlawful for
16 any person, after receiving a warning from a first responder not to approach, to violate such
17 warning and approach or remain within 20 feet of a first responder who is engaged in the
18 lawful performance of any legal or emergent duty, with the intent to: (1) Interrupt, disrupt,
19 hinder, impede or interfere with the first responder’s ability to perform such duty; (2)
20 Provoke a physical response from the first responder; or (3) Directly or indirectly harass the
21 first responder or make so much noise that a first responder is prevented from performing
22 their official duties or providing medical aid. SB 184 specifies that peaceful recording or
23 observation is not harassment; and
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25 **WHEREAS**, violators would face a first-degree misdemeanor charge, punishable by
26 up to a year in prison and \$1,000 in fines pursuant to SB 184; and
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28 **WHEREAS**, Senator Ávila indicated that the codification of SB 184 would attenuate
29 the problem of police officers being harassed by people who gather in large-scale events that
30 often result in disorder: “Things happen in those situations, and when you have law
31 enforcement that have to respond to a scene in the middle of the night (without) any true
32 visibility on whether somebody’s armed or not ... it’s probably the most complicated situation
33 you can potentially imagine,” he said during the January 24, 2024 senate hearing. “They have
34 to stabilize an area (and then) treat one or multiple victims;” and

68 ATTEST:

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JENORGEN GUILLEN

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75 APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND

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81 CITY ATTORNEY