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EXHIBIT 1

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF
HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, URGING THE SCHOOL
BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA TO INCREASE
FUNDING FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS FOR EVERY
SCHOOL WITHIN BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING
FOR DISTRIBUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1006.07, Florida Statutes, district school boards are responsible for the health, safety, and welfare of their students and "shall formulate and prescribe policies and procedures, in consultation with the appropriate public safety agencies, for emergency drills and for actual emergencies, including, but not limited to, fires, natural disasters, active assailant and hostage situations, and bomb threats, for all students and faculty at all public schools of the district comprised of grades K-12"; and

WHEREAS, the Florida legislature amended Section 1006.12, Florida Statutes, following the Marjory Stoneman Douglas mass shooting to state: "[f]or the protection and safety of school personnel, property, students, and visitors, each district school board and school district superintendent shall partner with law enforcement agencies or security agencies to establish or assign one or more safe-school officers at each school facility within the district, including charter schools"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1006.12(1), Florida Statutes, school districts may satisfy their requirement to establish or assign safe-school officers by implementing a school resource officer program through a cooperative agreement with law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 1006.12(1)(b), Florida Statutes, "[s]chool resource officers shall abide by district school board policies and shall

35 consult with and coordinate activities through the school principal, but shall be
36 responsible to the law enforcement agency in all matters relating to
37 employment, subject to agreements between a district school board and a law
38 enforcement agency. Activities conducted by the school resource officer which
39 are part of the regular instructional program of the school shall be under the
40 direction of the school principal"; and

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42 **WHEREAS, pursuant to** Section 1006.13(1), Florida Statutes, "[d]istrict
43 school boards shall promote a safe and supportive learning environment in schools
44 by protecting students and staff from conduct that poses a threat to school safety";
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47 **WHEREAS, Section 1011.62(13), Florida Statutes, created a safe schools**
48 allocation to provide funding to assist school districts in their compliance with ss.
49 1006.07- 1006.12, with priority given to safe-school officers pursuant to s. 1006.12
50 and each school district shall receive a minimum safe schools allocation in an
51 amount provided in the General Appropriations Act; and.

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53 **WHEREAS, The School Board of Broward County (Broward County School**
54 Board) is responsible for providing safe-school officers in all 334 Broward County
55 schools, including charter schools, which is a critical component to ensuring and
56 maintaining the safety of children and educational staff at schools; and

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58 **WHEREAS, the Broward County School Board does not have sufficient**
59 human resources to provide the necessary safe-school officers as required Section
60 1006.12, Florida Statutes at each school facility within the district; and

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62 **WHEREAS, the Broward County School Board has entered into**
63 agreements with multiple law enforcement agencies throughout the County to
64 establish a School Resource Officer (SRO) program and assign one or more safe-

65 school officers at each school facility within the district, including charter schools;
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68 **WHEREAS**, the annual cost per SRO includes the salary, benefits, vehicle,
69 and other related ancillary expenses that the police officer incurs when assigned
70 as an SRO at a Broward County school; and

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72 **WHEREAS**, through the agreements with the local municipalities, the
73 Broward County School Board is only funding a fraction of the SROs, and each
74 municipality's taxpayers fund the balance of the cost of the SROs which amounts
75 to double taxation to taxpayers; and

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77 **WHEREAS**, for fiscal year 2021/2022, the salary and benefit cost for the
78 City of Hallandale Beach's School Resource Officer program was \$336,407, which
79 represents the City's pro-rated cost for the period in which SROs are assigned
80 exclusively to Broward County schools, not including costs for vehicles, computers,
81 uniforms, training, etc.; and

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83 **WHEREAS**, for fiscal year 2021/2022, the Broward County School Board
84 funded \$192,600 of the Hallandale Beach School Resource Officer program cost
85 which when subtracted from the full program cost requires the taxpayers within the
86 City of Hallandale to fund approximately 43% of the salaries and benefits in
87 addition to the vehicles, computers, uniforms, training, etc. from the general fund.
88 This burden on the taxpayers amounts to an unsustainable subsidy; and

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90 **WHEREAS**, the cost of each safe-school officer should be the responsibility
91 of the Broward County School Board and the inadequate funding of the safe-school
92 officers/SRO program places an additional unfair burden on local municipalities
93 equating to an unfunded mandate; and

95 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 1006.12, Florida Statutes, the Broward
96 County School Board is responsible for the safe-school officers program and
97 should increase funding per officer, including salary and benefits, utilizing the
98 average cost among the municipalities in Broward County; and
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100 **WHEREAS**, in the aftermath of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School
101 mass shooting, the Broward League of Cities formed a School and Community
102 Public Safety Task Force which discussed the disparate funding of SROs across
103 Broward County, difficulties with schools whose students do not come from solely
104 one municipality, the inadequacy of the Safe School Allocation to cover current
105 costs, and the municipalities continuing to bear too great of a financial burden for
106 SROs. The final report recommended that:

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108 “School district must increase the amount it participates in the cost of
109 SRO’s. Actual costs are well above the current participation amount.”
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111 “There must be a permanent, stable and dedicated funding stream to
112 ensure uniform SRO program in all BCPS and Charter Schools.”
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114 **WHEREAS**, millions of dollars' worth of funding from a 2018 referendum
115 approving a .5 mill property tax for the Broward County School Board are set to
116 expire. This .5 mill property tax currently funds school security personnel among
117 other things; and
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119 **WHEREAS**, in August 2022, the Broward County School Board anticipates a
120 ballot item to increase the funding from .5 mill to 1 mill property tax; and
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122 **WHEREAS**, the Broward County School Board anticipates receiving an
123 additional \$227,000,000 per year in revenue if the referendum passes; and
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WHEREAS, due to significant increases in property values in Broward County, the Broward County School Board will receive more revenue from property taxes than previously estimated; and

WHEREAS, the Broward County School Board has approved a plan to spend 75% of the referendum funds on increasing staff pay and has further committed to spending up to 17% of those funds on school safety, including hiring 500 safety personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Broward County School Board's commitment to spend up to 17% of the referendum funds on school safety and safety personnel should include a commitment to increase funding toward the SRO programs provided by the municipalities; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, the Florida legislature passed legislation imposing additional responsibilities and burdens on local police departments. The new law mandates emergency drills for active assailant and hostage situations, bomb threats and natural disasters and requires all law enforcement officers, including SROs, who are responsible for responding to schools during emergencies such as school shootings to be physically present on campus and directly involved in the emergency drills. The law further requires all law enforcement officers, including SROs, who are assigned to public schools to complete mental health crisis intervention training using a specified curriculum. However, funding for this additional training is not provided and thus results in an unfunded mandate for municipalities that provide SROs to the Broward County School Board; and

WHEREAS, the Broward County School Board will be reviewing its budget for the 2022/2023 fiscal year and will be allocating its ad valorem taxes as well as the additional funding it receives via special levy and the safe school

allocation provided in Florida's General Appropriations Act to fund safe-school officers/SROs; and

WHEREAS, in the Broward County School Board's budget for the 2022/2023 fiscal year, the City of Hallandale Beach strongly urges the Broward County School Board to increase funding for the safe-school officers program/SRO program, on a per officer basis, to more accurately reflect the cost of the officers assigned to Broward County schools.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. The City of Hallandale Beach, Florida hereby urges The School Board of Broward County, Florida to increase funding for School Resource Officers for all public schools located within Broward County, Florida.

SECTION 2. The City Clerk is hereby directed to distribute a copy of this Resolution to The School Board of Broward County, Florida, the governing bodies of all Broward County municipalities, and the Broward League of Cities.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 20__.

JOY F. COOPER
MAYOR

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

ATTEST:

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188 JENORGEN GUILLEN, CMC

189 CITY CLERK

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191 APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

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