1	RESOLUTION NO. 2019-
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, CONDEMNING THE PRACTICE OF FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION; DIRECTING THE CLERK TO PROVIDE A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
10 11	WHEREAS, female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C), involving partial or total
12	removal of the external genitals of girls and women for religious, cultural, or other
13	nonmedical reasons, has devastating immediate and long-term health and social effects,
14	especially related to childbirth; and
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16	WHEREAS this type of violence against women violates women's human rights.
17	There are more than 3 million girls who are at risk of cutting/mutilation each year; and
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19	WHEREAS, increasingly, policymakers, NGOs, and community leaders are
20	speaking out against this harmful traditional practice. As more information becomes
21	available about the practice, it is clear that FGM/C needs to be unmasked and challenged
22	around the world; and
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24	WHEREAS, in 2013, there were up to 507,000 U.S. women and girls who had
25	undergone FGM/C or were at risk of the procedure, according to Population Reference
26	Bureau's data analysis; and
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28	WHEREAS, girls under age 18 made up one-third of all females at risk of FGM/C
29	in 2013 in the United States; and
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31	WHEREAS, most women and girls at risk of FGM/C are living in cities or suburbs
32	of large metropolitan areas. The South Florida area is among the 30 metropolitan areas
33	with the largest at-risk populations; and
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35	WHEREAS, the number of women and girls at risk of FGM/C in the United States
36	is expected to increase in the future, as the foreign-born population increases; and
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WHEREAS, Ending harmful practices against women and girls in developing
countries could have a measurable impact on the well-being of immigrant families around
the world; and
WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission wish to condemn the practice of
female genital mutilation as harmful to the well-being of girls and families.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA:
SECTION 1. Recitals Adopted. That each of the above recitals are hereby
adopted, confirmed, and incorporated herein.
SECTION 2. The Mayor and City Commission hereby condemn the practice of
female genital mutilation as harmful to the well-being of girls and families.
SECTION 3. The City Commission hereby directs the City Clerk to transmit a copy
of this Resolution to all appropriate entities.
SECTION 4. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.
APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 20 th day of February, 2019.
JOY D. ADAMS
MAYOR
SPONSORED BY: COMMISSIONER ANABELLE LIMA-TAUB
ATTEST:
JENORGEN M. GUILLEN, CMC
CITY CLERK

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