

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-032**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA,  
DENOUNCING MISTREATMENT OF THE LGBTQ  
COMMUNITY AND INHUMANE STONING OF  
INDIVIDUALS IN BRUNEI; AND PROVIDING FOR AN  
EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hallandale Beach seeks to promote an inclusive environment; and

**WHEREAS**, a new law punishes homosexual sex and adultery with death in the small southeast Asian kingdom of Brunei; and

**WHEREAS**, any individuals found guilty of the offenses will be stoned to death, according to a new penal code. The punishment will be "witnessed by a group of Muslims" according to news reports; and

**WHEREAS**, human rights groups have expressed horror at the penal code, which will also order amputation as a punishment for theft, and called for the international community must urgently condemn Brunei's move to put these cruel penalties into practice; and

**WHEREAS**, there was also broad international outcry when in 2014 Brunei became the first country in the region to adopt Sharia law, an Islamic legal system which outlines strict corporal punishments, but even with more international pressure, the small nation said it has no plans to halt the law; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hallandale Beach is welcoming and diverse community that wishes to stand with the LGBTQ community and denounce inhumane treatment of any and all people; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Commission wish to join other world leaders in denouncing the country's harsh practices and stand by the LGBT community.

**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 join other world leaders in denouncing the country's harsh practices and stand by the LGBT community by the intolerant government of Brunei and urge the country to reconsider its inhumane treatment of its people.

**SECTION 3.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and the Clerk is directed to forward to all appropriate parties.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

JOY D. ADAMS  
MAYOR

SPONSORED BY: COMMISSIONER ANABELLE LIMA-TAUB

ATTEST:

JENORGEN GUILLEN, CMC  
CITY CLERK

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86 JENNIFER MERINO  
87 CITY ATTORNEY

**FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION**

Mayor Adams	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Mayor Javellana	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Butler	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Lazarow	<u>Yes</u>
Commissioner Lima- Taub	<u>Yes</u>

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