

1 EXHIBIT 1
2 RESOLUTION 2020-
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4 A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF
5 THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING
6 PAYMENT OF LEGAL FEES INCURRED IN THE SUCCESSFUL
7 LEGAL DEFENSE OF MAYOR JOY COOPER; PROVIDING FOR
8 AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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10 WHEREAS, the Broward State Attorney's Office prosecuted allegations that Mayor Joy
11 Cooper was in violation of the Florida Laws, including Official Misconduct, while in office; and
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13 WHEREAS, Mayor Cooper incurred legal fees in the defense of this matter; and
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15 WHEREAS, the Commission finds that the matter arose from the performance of the
16 official's duties, as evidenced the charge of Official Misconduct; and
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18 WHEREAS, the Commission finds that the matter stems from conduct occurring while
19 Mayor Cooper carried out her public duties and served a public purpose; and
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21 WHEREAS, Mayor Cooper successfully defended against the allegation and was
22 acquitted of all charges; and
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24 WHEREAS, Florida common law affords public officials the right to legal representation at
25 public expense against matters arising out of the performance of their public duties and while
26 serving a public purpose.
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28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY
29 COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA:
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31 **SECTION 1.** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby made a specific part of this
32 Resolution upon adoption hereof.

33 **SECTION 2.** The Mayor and City Commission authorize the payment of legal fees in the
34 amount of four hundred eighty-six thousand six hundred and thirty-seven dollars (\$486,637.00)
35 for the defense of the above specified matter.

SECTION 3. Directions to City Manager. The Mayor and City Commission direct the City Manager to take all necessary steps to effectuate this resolution.

SECTION 4. That this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of February 2020.

JOY F. COOPER
MAYOR

SPONSORED BY: CITY ATTORNEY

ATTEST:

JENORGEN GUILLEN
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND
FORM

JENNIFER MERINO
CITY ATTORNEY