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EXHIBIT 1
RESOLUTION NO. 2021- xx

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA SUPPORTING THE FEDERAL PREPARED ACT THAT WOULD REQUIRE THOSE WHO ARE REGULATED BY THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT TO HAVE EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANS FOR NATURAL AND MANMADE DISASTERS TO DEVELOP, DOCUMENT AND FOLLOW A CONTINGENCY PLAN TO PROVIDE FOR HUMANE HANDLING, TREATMENT, TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND CARE OF ITS ANIMALS IN THE EVEN OF AN EMERGENCY OR DISASTER; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, weather related disasters are occurring more frequently and with greater intensity animals are being abandoned negatively impacted; and

WHEREAS, lack of advance planning and abandonment of animals at AWA-regulated facilities can jeopardize safety and put additional burden on first responders, the local community and nongovernmental entities that assist with rescue efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards (PETS) Act was enacted in 2006 in response to tragedy of Hurricane Katrina and the 600,000 lives lost, but the legislation was not far-reaching enough and did not cover commercially owned animals; and

WHEREAS, the Prepared Act would require Animal Welfare Act regulated facilities including commercial animal breeders and dealers, research facilities, and exhibitors, zoos, aquariums, and circuses to develop, document, and follow a contingency plan to provide for the humane handling, treatment, transportation, housing and care of its animals in the event of an emergency or disaster; and

WHEREAS, the facilities would be required to annually submit their plans to the USDA and train all employees on emergency procedures; and

WHEREAS, the contingency plans must adhere to a four-step requirement that would: 1. Identify emergency situations that the entity might experience 2. Outline specific tasks to respond to those emergencies 3. Establish a chain of command and identify

personnel responsible for the response tasks and 4. Address materials, resources, and training to handle response and recovery.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission believe that it is in the best interest of the residents of the City of Hallandale Beach to support the federal PREPARED Act introduced in the 117th Congress.

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

SECTION 1. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. The Mayor and City Commission hereby express their support of the federal PREPARED Act that would require those who are regulated by the animal welfare act to have emergency response plans for natural and manmade disasters to develop, document and follow a contingency plan to provide for humane handling, treatment, transportation, housing and care of its animals in the event of an emergency or disaster. The City Clerk is directed to transmit this resolution to all appropriate entities.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____ 2021.

JOY F. COOPER
MAYOR

SPONSORED BY: COMMISSIONER ANABELLE LIMA-TAUB

ATTEST:

JENORGEN M. GUILLEN, CITY CLERK

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