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RESOLUTION NO. 2018-

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, URGING THE UNITED STATES SENATE TO PASS THE STOP SCHOOL VIOLENCE ACT OF 2018; DIRECTING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO ALL MEMBERS OF CONGRESS REPRESENTING BROWARD COUNTY RESIDENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2018, the United States House of Representatives passed the Student, Teachers, and Officers Preventing School Violence Act of 2018 ("STOP School Violence Act of 2018" or "Act"); and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes the Department of Justice to make grants for the purpose of funding evidence-based programs and practices to train students, school personnel, and law enforcement to identify signs of violence and intervene to prevent individuals from hurting themselves or others; and

WHEREAS, the Act also authorizes funds for technology and equipment to deter and respond to threats of violence, including reinforced entryways and other security improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Act is now headed to the Senate for possible consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners recognizes the importance of adequate training and improved facilities in the fight against gun violence,

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The recitals set forth in the preamble to this Resolution are incorporated by reference herein.

1 Section 2. The Board hereby encourages the United States Senate to pass the
2 STOP School Violence Act of 2018 in an effort to prevent gun violence in schools across
3 the country.

4 Section 3. The Board hereby directs the County Administrator to transmit a copy
5 of this Resolution to all members of Congress representing Broward County residents.

6 Section 4. SEVERABILITY

7 If any portion of this Resolution is determined by any Court to be invalid, the invalid
8 portion shall be stricken, and such striking shall not affect the validity of the remainder of
9 this Resolution. If any Court determines that this Resolution, or any portion hereof, cannot
10 be legally applied to any individual(s), group(s), entity(ies), property(ies), or
11 circumstance(s), such determination shall not affect the applicability hereof to any other
12 individual group, entity, property, or circumstance.

13 Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

14 This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

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16 ADOPTED this day of , 2018.

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18 Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:
19 Andrew J. Meyers, County Attorney

20 By /s/ Rocio Blanco Garcia 03/15/18
21 Rocio Blanco Garcia (date)
22 Assistant County Attorney

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