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RESOLUTION NO. 2018-

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, CONDEMNING VALVE CORPORATION'S LAUNCH OF A VIDEO GAME THAT SIMULATES MASS SCHOOL SHOOTINGS AKIN TO THE FEBRUARY 14, 2018, MASS SHOOTING AT MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS HIGH SCHOOL IN PARKLAND, FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2018, a lone gunman opened fire at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School ("Marjory Stoneman Douglas") in Parkland, Florida, killing 17 students and faculty; and

WHEREAS, this year alone, the United States has experienced 23 school shootings where someone was hurt or killed; and

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2018, Valve Corporation, a video game development and digital distribution company, intended to launch on its digital distribution platform a video game entitled "Active Shooter"; and

WHEREAS, the video game was intended to simulate a mass school shooting; and

WHEREAS, Valve Corporation has now decided to remove the game from its digital distribution platform; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Broward County, Florida ("Board"), finds games like "Active Shooter" morally reprehensible; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to support efforts to foster healing in the community following the tragedy on February 14, 2018, and honor the 17 students and faculty killed during the mass shooting in Parkland, Florida, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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

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7 Section 2. The Board specifically condemns and admonishes Valve
8 Corporation for its originally intended launch of the "Active Shooter" video game and
9 insensitivity in light of the 17 students and faculty killed during the tragic mass shooting
10 on February 14, 2018, and other shootings across the United States.

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12 Section 3. SEVERABILITY

13 If any portion of this Resolution is determined by any court to be invalid, the invalid
14 portion shall be stricken, and such striking shall not affect the validity of the remainder of
15 this Resolution. If any court determines that this Resolution, or any portion hereof, cannot
16 be legally applied to any individual(s), group(s), entity(ies), property(ies), or
17 circumstance(s), such determination shall not affect the applicability hereof to any other
18 individual group, entity, property, or circumstance.

1 Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

2 This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

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4 ADOPTED this day of , 2018.

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8 Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:
9 Andrew J. Meyers, County Attorney

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11 By /s/ Anthony C. Halmon 05/31/18
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