## **RESOLUTION NO. 2004-109**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PERMANENT LOCATION FOR U.S. SOUTHERN COMMAND ON STATE-OWNED PROPERTY IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, U.S. Southern Command is the unified command responsible for all U.S. military activities on the land mass of Latin America south of Mexico; the waters adjacent to Central and South America; the Caribbean Sea, with its 13 island nations, and European and U.S. territories; the Gulf of Mexico; and a portion of the Atlantic Ocean; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Southern Command has been located in leased facilities in the Doral area since 1997; and

WHEREAS, making Doral the permanent home for U.S. Southern Command is in the best interest of our community and the national security; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to secure a permanent location for U.S. Southern Command, the Governor and Cabinet have approved the use of 40 acres of State-owned property located in the City of Doral and immediately west of the current U.S. Southern Command Headquarters; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has made a proposal to the Secretary of Defense for the development of a permanent headquarters for the U.S. Southern Command; and

## NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the City of Doral, Florida supports the action of the Governor and urges our Congressional delegation to continue to support the presence of U.S. Southern Command in the City of Doral and that the Department of Defense accept the offer as presented by Governor Bush.

<u>Section 2.</u> This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Councilwoman Ruiz, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Cabrera and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez	yes
Vice Mayor Peter Cabrera	yes
Councilmember Michael DiPietro	yes
Councilwoman Sandra Ruiz	yes
Councilmember Robert Van Name	yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of October, 2004.

JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYO

ATTEST:

SHEILA PAUL, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE SOLE USE Q THE CITY OF DORAL:

JOHN J. HEARN, CITY ATTORNEY