## GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

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## **RESOLUTION NO. 1136.98**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA COMMENDING MIAMIDADE COUNTY MAYOR ALEX PENELAS FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AND RESPONSIVENESS, ALONG WITH THE COUNTY COMMISSION AND STAFF IN RESPONSE TO THE THREAT OF HURRICANE GEORGES DURING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20, 1998; PROVIDING FOR DISTRIBUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the memory of the August 1992 devastation of Hurricane Andrew remains vivid with most of Miami-Dade County residents; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Georges was poised in the Caribbean with the potential for a direct hit to Miami-Dade County sometime during the week of September 20, 1998; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Mayor Alex Penelas was instrumental in directing the attention of the County's needs to State and Federal officials, some of whom made personal appearances in the County prior to the storm; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Penelas' actions resulted in a heightened attention to the County for recovery actions should Hurricane Georges full strength cross over the County including the prepositioning of hundreds of insurance adjusters from the major property insurance companies doing business in South Florida; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Penelas, the Miami-Dade County Commission and the county staff established emergency procedures and an Emergency Operation Center for storm related communication, action, and assistance; and

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WHEREAS, the County implemented its emergency operations, opened its shelters, carried out the public safety functions in a successful operation, not knowing until the final hours that the County would be spared from the full force of Hurricane Georges as the hurricane veered to the Northwest along the Gulf Coast of Florida:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Mayor Alex Penelas is commended along with the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners and county staff for preparation and implementation of emergency procedures related to Hurricane Georges for the protection of the health, safety and welfare of all of Miami-Dade County.

Section 2. That the Town Clerk is directed to send copies of this resolution to Mayor Penelas and the County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County.

Section 3. That this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Chikovsky, seconded by Council Member Rodriguez and on roll call the following vote

Mayor Cuenca

<u>AYE</u>

Vice Mayor Chikovsky

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Councilmember Fistel

**ABSENT** 

Councilmember Lidsky

<u>AYE</u>

Councilmember Rodriguez

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach this 6th day of October, 1998.

ATTEST:

INTERIM TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

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