## **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-152**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELTONA, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR THE CITY OF DELTONA TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN FLOOD COALITION; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, proactively investing to prevent flooding is a wiser use of resources than spending on flooding recovery, as exemplified by Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") research showing that one dollar (\$1.00) spent on disaster prevention saves up to seven dollars (\$7.00) in recovery costs; and

**WHEREAS**, national coordination and support are necessary for communities to fully address the challenge of flooding and sea level rise; and

**WHEREAS,** the American Flood Coalition provides a platform advocating for national solutions to flooding and sea level rise that invest in and protect our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Flood Coalition is a no-cost forum for best practices and source of support in developing local and state-level responses to flooding and sea level rise that will enhance the City of Deltona's resilience effort; and

**WHEREAS,** flooding and sea level rise are important issues that the residents of the City of Deltona (the "City") deserve to understand and the American Flood Coalition provides opportunities and tools to communicate with residents on flooding challenges and solutions; and

WHEREAS, joining the American Flood Coalition will aid the City's efforts to protect against flooding without requiring any financial support or dues from the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has already been impacted by extreme flooding during natural disasters such as hurricanes; and

**WHEREAS**, over time and with the impacts of climate change, sea level rise may also impact the City of Deltona, especially along the St. Johns River that runs along the southern boundary of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has a Stormwater Master Plan that has identified strategic projects to mitigate severe and repetitive flooding impacts experienced citywide; and

**WHEREAS**, severe impacts may be attributed to hurricanes, tropical storms, or heavy rainstorms (microburst storms); and

**WHEREAS**, flood mitigation projects are designed to provide long-term relief for surrounding residential neighborhoods, businesses, and community assets, including infrastructure such as roadways and utilities; and

WHEREAS, stormwater projects will enhance stormwater management, reduce roadway and property flooding, and improve public safety and resilience in the project area; and

**WHEREAS**, certain stormwater projects are intended to improve and provide robust infrastructure while extending the longevity of that infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission finds that joining the American Flood Coalition will promote the health, safety, and welfare of the City's residents and ensure the prosperity of the City of Deltona economy by accelerating solutions to sea level rise and flooding.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELTONA, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1. Recitals Adopted.** That each of the above recitals are hereby adopted, confirmed, and incorporated herein.

**Section 2. Membership Approved.** That the City of Deltona recognizes the need to advance national solutions to sea level rise and flooding and will work as a member of the American Flood Coalition to safeguard the welfare of the City of Deltona's residents.

- **Section 3. Implementation.** That the City Manager is hereby authorized to take any action which is necessary to implement this Resolution.
- **Section 4. Effective Date.** That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOI	PTED BY THE	CITY COMMISSION	ON OF	THE	CITY	OF
<b>DELTONA, FLORIDA, THIS</b>	DAY OF O	CTOBER 2025.				

BY:	 antiago Avila, Jr., MAYOR		
ATTEST:			
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Approved as to form and legality for use and reliance of the City of Deltona, Florida			
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