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**CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH  
COUNTY OF Horry  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE  
UKRAINIAN’S SOVEREIGNTY AS  
AN INDEPENDENT NATION AND  
CONDEMNATION OF RUSSIA’S  
MILITARY ATTACK AND INVASION**

WHEREAS, More than 300,000 Ukrainians called for independence from the Soviet Union and formed a human chain between two cities in January 1990; and

WHEREAS, In December 1991, more than 90 percent of Ukrainian citizens voted in support of independence from the Soviet Union, the first step in establishing a democratic nation; and

WHEREAS, Since 2015, Russia has failed to live up to the Minsk Agreements and during the past year conducted a large-scale military build-up around Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, On February 24, 2022, Russian forces launched an unprovoked, full-scale invasion of a peaceful, independent country, Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, Many nations, including the United States and its European allies, have condemned in the strongest language this horrifying attack and outright war of aggression on Ukraine and its citizens in an attempt to overthrow the democracy and occupy Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, Sanctions have been levied against Russia and its government in response to this attack, with calls for immediate cease-fire and withdrawal, yet Russia’s invasion continues unchecked; and

WHEREAS, The City of Myrtle Beach joins with other communities, with the United States and with other peace-loving and democratic nations throughout the world in condemning this Putin-led attack on Ukraine and its people, institutions, infrastructure and democracy; and

WHEREAS, Our hearts go out to the innocent victims of this unfounded and unnecessary war, including the families and children who have been killed and injured or who are fleeing their homeland of Ukraine to escape Russia’s unprovoked attack;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT The City of Myrtle Beach stands with the Ukrainian people and its government in opposing Vladimir Putin’s invasion and war against this democratic nation and expresses profound support for Ukraine at this difficult time, while calling upon Russia to halt this deadly and unconscionable aggression against a peaceful neighbor.

SIGNED AND SEALED THIS 8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2022.

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BRENDA BETHUNE, MAYOR

ATTEST:  
  
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JENNIFER ADKINS, CITY CLERK