



## **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-04**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING UKRAINE AGAINST RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT AGGRESSION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, following the collapse of the Soviet Union, the Ukrainian people overwhelmingly voted to form a nation independent from Russia, building a democracy and thriving country grounded in the rule of law; and

**WHEREAS**, Russia President Vladimir Putin has now launched an unjust and unwarranted invasion upon the peaceful nation of Ukraine; and

**WHEREAS**, Ukraine is a proud and honorable nation under siege, and the brutality of this unprovoked attack on Ukrainian sovereignty is an affront to international law and common decency; and

**WHEREAS**, the attack on one democracy is an attack on all democracy.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach:

**SECTION 1.** That the Neptune Beach community proudly stands alongside our brothers and sisters of Ukraine as they fight for freedom during this horrific and unnecessary siege.

**SECTION 2.** That the City of Neptune Beach condemns, in the strongest terms, Vladimir Putin's attack on the people of Ukraine; holds Russia fully accountable for the unspeakable atrocities occurring in Ukraine; and strongly endorses the swift and severe economic sanctions and stringent export controls that the United States has imposed on Russia.

**SECTION 3.** That, through donations and prayers, the Neptune Beach community joins hands in assisting the ongoing needs of those suffering within Ukraine and of those who have been forced to flee to neighboring countries for safety.

**SECTION 4.** That the City of Neptune Beach remains prayerfully hopeful for the return to that region and the world.

**SECTION 5.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of Neptune Beach, Florida, at the Special Council Meeting held this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2022.

  
Elaine Brown, Mayor

Attest:

  
Catherine Ponson, City Clerk

Approved as to form and correctness:

  
Zachary Roth, City Attorney

