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THE CHILDREN'S TRUST BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECOND TRIM PUBLIC HEARING

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"VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM WEBINAR"

The Children's Trust Second TRIM Public Hearing was held on September 21, 2020, commencing at 5:01 p.m., via Zoom Webinar. The meeting was called to order by Kenneth Hoffman, Chair.

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4 GUESTS:

5 Michael Alessandri, Nova Southeastern University

6 Linda Freeman, Trinity Church

7 Loreen Chant, Easter Seals of South Florida

8 Betty Alonso, Connect Families

9 Debra Rudnicki, Florida International University

10 Debra Gotlib, CSCPBC

11 Lynda Weinstein, Florida Keys Children's Shelter

12 Eunice Hines, Community Health of South Florida, Inc.

13 Chloe Wicklas, Trinity Church GEN2050

14 Demetria Henderson, Miami-Dade BCC

15 Thema Campbell, Girl Power Rocks, Inc.

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17 Iliana Perez, Kingdom Academy

18 Heather Winters, Jewish Community Services of S. FL

19 Ariana Lincheta, Just Kids Center

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PROCEEDINGS

(Recording of the meeting began at 5:01 p.m.)

MR. HOFFMAN: Okay, I'd like to call the meeting to order. It is 5:01 p.m.

The matters before the Board this afternoon are setting the final millage and approval of the final budget. The resolutions coming before the Board are as follows:

Resolution 2020-85: Resolution of The Children's Trust of Miami-Dade County, Florida, adopting the final millage rate for levying of ad valorem taxes for The Children's Trust of Miami-Dade County, Florida for fiscal year 2020-2021; and declaring the percentage change in the property tax levy as defined under section 200.065, Florida Statutes; providing for an effective date.

And Resolution 2020-86: Resolution of The Children's Trust of Miami-Dade County, Florida, adopting the final budget for fiscal year 2020-2021; providing for an effective date.

As state law mandates, the first item for discussion is Resolution 2020-85, setting the final millage necessary to fund the budget, as well as a discussion of the specific purpose for which the ad valorem tax revenues are being used.

1 Our CEO, Jim Haj, will further explain.

2 MR. HAJ: Mr. Chair, thank you.

3 This will be the 18th year of The Children's
4 Trust. The final millage rate to be levied in order
5 to produce sufficient ad valorem taxation revenue,
6 which will be adequate to pay the appropriations and
7 the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1,
8 2020 and ending September 30, 2021, shall be 0.04507
9 mills.

10 The final operating millage rate of 0.4507 will
11 result in a property tax increase of 0.0% which is
12 same as the roll-back rate of 0.4507 mills. The roll-
13 back rate is the millage rate that will generate
14 approximately the same amount of property tax revenues
15 as approved for the prior year. Last year's actual
16 property tax levy for The Children's Trust was
17 \$143,145,117.00. This years proposed ad valorem tax
18 revenue estimated at 95% ad valorem tax levy of 0.4507
19 mills is \$139,822,634.00.

20 Since the beginning of the funding cycle
21 effective October 1, 2018, The Trust has committed an
22 additional \$35.1 million annually and a \$162.4 million
23 over a five year cycle in additional funds here marked
24 for program services for the fiscal year 2019 through
25 2023. This five year commitment continues to

1 emphasize the importance of program spending that
2 provides critical services for children and families
3 in our community.

4 The Trust also increased recurring funding in
5 excess of \$6 million annually to increase program
6 services in parenting, early childhood development,
7 health and wellness, and family and neighborhood
8 supports as a result of the great need caused by the
9 pandemic.

10 Total budget and programming services,
11 \$157,544,548.00. And the 2021 budget reflects
12 management expenses of 6.23% expense. The lowest in
13 Trust history. It's also a .03 decrease from last
14 year. And in Trust history, this is the lowest
15 management expense ratio and the largest budget
16 investment in program services.

17 Thank you, Mr. Chair.

18 MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you, Jim.

19 The Public Hearing is open on the final mileage
20 rate. We have three or four people who have
21 registered to make comments.

22 I'll start first with Reverend Linda Freeman,
23 Executive Director of Peacemakers Family Center,
24 Trinity Church.

25 Linda?

1 MS. FREEMAN: Good afternoon, everybody. I can't
2 see you yet, I just see the agenda, but I'm going to
3 go ahead and get started.

4 Thank you for this opportunity to share with you
5 briefly about how The Children's Trust funding has
6 made a positive impact on the children and youth and
7 their families that we serve at Trinity Church
8 Peacemaker Family Center.

9 My name is Linda Freeman, and I'm the Executive
10 Director of the Peacemaker Family Center at Trinity
11 Church. And we have been funded by The Children's
12 Trust, this will be our 18th year.

13 So when The Children's Trust extended their first
14 50 contracts into the community, we were there and we
15 were a summer camp provider. And since that time, we
16 have provided a variety of programming, parenting,
17 summer camp after-school, through Children's Trust
18 funding, and we are so very grateful.

19 This afternoon I just want to focus in on the
20 power of innovation and how The Children's Trust has
21 been very instrumental in bringing innovative programs
22 to the children in Miami-Dade County. And
23 specifically in our case, back in 2016, The Children's
24 Trust extended an opportunity to fund an innovation to
25 serve middle and high school students for summer camp

1 and after school. And I wrote a proposal for a
2 concept that I call Generation 2050. And that program
3 was designed, I wanted to see students being given
4 opportunity way beyond what people would have thought
5 was their capacity. And so students were focused on
6 STEM, leadership, entrepreneurship, mindfulness, and
7 some other activities. And since that time, Gen 2050
8 has continued to be funded by The Children's Trust as
9 a summer camp program.

10 Specifically, I want to let you know how
11 important your innovation funds and being willing to
12 hear and support new ideas are, and I see that in your
13 budget that you are going to continue that. But I
14 just want to say how powerful it is. Last year I
15 applied to the National Geographic Society for an
16 explorer grant called Bats, Bees, and Butterflies, to
17 take our Gen 2050 students into a higher level of
18 science activity. And it was funded. So I've become
19 a National Geographic Explorer, and Gen 2050 students
20 since last, since 2019, have been involved in the
21 Bats, Bees and Butterflies science project funded by
22 The Children's Trust and the National Geographic
23 Society.

24 We were granted an innovation grant to do queen
25 breeding last year, and since that time, I'm happy to

1 announce to you that the National Geographic Society
2 has noted Gen 2050 as a program that they are trying
3 to implement something like it on a worldwide scale.
4 And they have something called National Geographic
5 Education Department, and within that they started a
6 new program called Youth Initiatives. And they called
7 me a couple of weeks ago and said, look, Gen 2050 is
8 what we've been trying to come up with and we realize
9 that we funded you to do something we wish we could
10 do. And over the last couple of weeks, I have spent
11 so much time with the National Geographic, in that
12 they have noted as they put out their proposals for
13 education this year, they've listed Gen 2050 as a
14 model program to be used around the world.

15 And I know that sounds crazy, because I can
16 barely believe it myself that I'm saying it out loud
17 to you, but they started something called Youth
18 Leadership Program that's beginning next week. They
19 called me on the phone and said, listen, we want you
20 to recommend some of your Gen 2050 students to our
21 Youth Initiative Program, it's going to be filled with
22 kids from around the world and young people. And so
23 far, they were in a hurry to do it, but what they did
24 was, when the application came out, in order to apply
25 to this National Geographic worldwide Youth Initiative

1 Program, you had to click a dropdown box and you had
2 to say what program are you apart of and who nominated
3 you. In that dropdown box was Gen 2050. And that was
4 an application that went out around the world.

5 So I just want to say thank you because the
6 investment that The Children's Trust has made to do
7 new things and expand capacity here in Miami-Dade
8 County, people know about it. So imagine, the
9 National Geographic Society is promoting a program
10 that you funded back in 2017, is something they wished
11 they figured out how to do. And it's because of you
12 that we're going to have students from Miami-Dade
13 County this year involved in this Youth Initiative
14 Program. One of my mentor, or she's a mentor to Gen
15 2050, she's a college student, but she's starting this
16 week in a leadership program. The professor is a
17 professor from the Columbia University Business
18 School. There are only 38 students in this program
19 and they are from around the world. I'm anticipating
20 other students being included in the program.

21 And I cannot thank you enough for taking the
22 chance to do something different that no one ever has
23 done before. So I just can't say enough. And what I
24 can say, that over the years, over the last 18 years,
25 things have gotten to be more standardized and that's

1 really important, but keeping in mind that innovation
2 is also important. So thank you so much.

3 MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you. Thank you for your
4 comments, Reverend Freeman.

5 Next up, I'll turn it over to Chant Loreen, who
6 is the president and CEO of Easter Seals of South
7 Florida.

8 Loreen?

9 MS. LOREEN: Thank you, Chairman. And hello to
10 all the Board members and staff.

11 It's an, honestly, an honor to come before all of
12 you and speak out in the community and support
13 gratitude, really, for what The Children's Trust has
14 always done for our children and families at Easter
15 Seals. But this year we all know has been an
16 extraordinary year, so I want --

17 You can hear me?

18 Okay. I talk about the partnership with The
19 Children's Trust because I want to kind of share with
20 you that I feel like not only in my role as Easter
21 Seals, but as a member of the community, that The
22 Children's Trust really is a gold standard for the way
23 a funder can partner for impact with an organization,
24 and I'm really grateful for that.

25 The Children's Trust support has long been life

1 changing for the children of Easter Seals. I know
2 many of you have been to the center, so you know what
3 I mean when I say the children of Easter Seals are
4 children with disabilities, who so deserve every
5 opportunity to have a well-being that's cultivated to
6 be included and challenged and grow and our program
7 with The Children's Trust is a critical component of
8 how we do that work. That's the essential outcome of
9 our work.

10 The Trust is a vital partner every year, but this
11 year, I want to share with you a little bit about a
12 story about how essential the partnership was and how
13 it looked from the families perspective and from the
14 recipients programs perspective.

15 We all know what a difficult spring it was for
16 everyone in our community. I know that you know that
17 families with children with special needs really had a
18 very devastating spring. Many of our families were
19 unable to work, even working at home wasn't an option
20 for them with the challenges that they were
21 navigating. Our children were really struggling by
22 the loss of their routine, they're learning academic
23 losses, behavior losses, independent skill losses,
24 they were really profound. And in the spring, our
25 families were really, really desperate.

1 And so when the Trust finally stepped forward,
2 after a lot of deliberation, I assume at the Board
3 level and beyond, to really think about whether summer
4 camps should and could be a safe option for their
5 programs, I can tell you, I have goosebumps when I
6 tell you, when we told the families that we were going
7 to be there for them in the summer, the relief that so
8 many of them expressed, and finally after three long
9 months that they would have a partner in-person again
10 with them was such a profoundly relieving experience
11 for our families. We served 200 children in our
12 summer camp in June, and for those of you that know,
13 that was the height of the pandemic.

14 When we announced it, this respite and the return
15 to in-person work was very difficult. I know that you
16 know that it was an unprecedented effort. And I can
17 tell you that The Trust stepped in and alongside us.
18 Once the decision was made to fund our programs, like
19 always, they played a leadership role and partnered
20 with us. They provided, I shouldn't say they, you,
21 you provided PPE to ensure that our programs had the
22 resources we needed to safely reopen. I can tell you,
23 from our perspective, your staff was flexible and
24 supportive, but as always, very high standards, right.
25 Very, very good at listening to hear what we felt

1 worked, but making sure from a leadership level that
2 the programs that you funded and partnered with and
3 helped to stand up were going to be safe for the
4 families and the children that we served. As a result
5 of that, in June, many of our mothers and fathers were
6 able to return to work. Their children returned to
7 our centers. Financially and emotionally this was a
8 tremendous step forward for them. And we were so
9 happy to have our children back.

10 And I know that you know that Mr. Haj played
11 beyond a community leading role in making sure that
12 all providers understood the importance of the right
13 protocols to keep everyone safe and healthy. Easter
14 Seals followed those protocols. We had no cases of
15 transmission in our summer camp. We started on day
16 one and we closed on the last day of summer camp,
17 which was no small effort, but we were really, really
18 proud of that.

19 The children so happy to be back in school, so
20 happy to see their teachers, so happy to be out of
21 their house. Some of them said, "I'm just so happy to
22 be out of my house." It was just the cutest thing.
23 They are so eager to learn. Fast forward to today,
24 our teachers are working hard to try to mitigate the
25 learning and skill losses that our children endured

1 while we were closed. We had our successful summer
2 camp, afterschool programs are running. We started on
3 August 24th, again, with support from The Children's
4 Trust.

5 And so I want to just say that the community and
6 our families is beyond fortunate to have a leading
7 organization such as The Trust to look after the well-
8 being of our children. Beyond providing the funding,
9 its being there as a leader in the community to look
10 after our children, children with special needs, all
11 children in our community. And so I'm very happy to
12 speak in support of The Trust and the incredible work
13 that you're doing on behalf of children with special
14 needs. So thank you for the opportunity, I really
15 appreciate it.

16 MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you, Loreen.

17 Finally, we have Dr. Michael Alessandri,
18 Executive Director of the University of Miami-Nova
19 Southeastern University Center for Autism and Related
20 Disabilities.

21 Michael?

22 MR. ALESSANDRI: Hi, everybody. Good evening.
23 I'm happy to be here. And always hard to follow my
24 friend Loreen. But based on, building on what she and
25 Linda said, I think the most important thing I can

1 tell you is children with disabilities are, as you
2 well know, the most disenfranchised individuals we
3 have in our community. And without The Children's
4 Trust, that would continue to be a significant
5 problem. It's still a problem. It's a challenge
6 always in school and in community on a broad scale.
7 But The Children's Trust has been and continues to be
8 the game changing organization that has elevated not
9 only opportunity for inclusion and opportunity for
10 high level of engagement beyond the school experience
11 and the home experience, but it's also elevated the
12 quality of every possible type of care that we provide
13 in this community. And I think that's the most
14 important thing.

15 I have had the privilege for the past 25 years of
16 being associated with the Center for Autism at the
17 University of Miami and that's been a great privilege.
18 But one of the best parts about it is I've been able
19 to sit on the sidelines, and in the trenches most of
20 the time, but watching all of these changes occur
21 overtime. Looking at where we started, where we've
22 been, and where we're going. And it's all to the
23 credit of The Trust and its high standards and its
24 ability to elevate programmatic quality over the
25 course of time and over our entire community.

1 I also want to thank you for, 2012 I was the
2 proud recipient of The David Lawrence Jr. Champion for
3 Children Award. I take that very, I don't take that
4 very lightly. I think it's the most significant honor
5 I've ever had and I take the responsibility very
6 seriously.

7 We are fortunate to have funding from The Trust
8 for two of our programs. The majority of our funding
9 comes from the state of Florida. We are a statutory
10 program that is mandated to serve every individual
11 with autism, any age, any functioning level, at any
12 point in their lives throughout the state. Our
13 program serves Dade County, Broward and Monroe. And
14 we're currently serving over 13,000 families, so
15 that's no easy task. And we need the support of
16 community partners and funding partners like all of
17 you in order to execute our programs. And we're super
18 grateful.

19 Just today we were told to cut six percent of our
20 budget from the State Department of Education. Three
21 months into the fiscal year, a cut like that is
22 astonishing complex, so we're grateful to have the
23 partnership with The Trust, grateful that you fund our
24 camps, particularly grateful that you fund one
25 initiative which allows us to get kids diagnosed much

1 more quickly and decrease the lag time between a
2 parents concern and the time when they get diagnosed.
3 Because that lag time is an opportunity for early
4 intervention that you can never get back.

5 So what you're doing there is changing not only
6 the immediate outcomes for children, but the long-term
7 outcomes. Because if we can get them into high
8 quality evidenced-based interventions, get them into
9 the right school programs, the outcomes are much
10 better than they would have ever have been. And we
11 know there are significant delays, particularly for
12 minority children and children who are traditionally
13 underserved. So that funding is, again, it's an
14 equalizer, it's a game changer, and we couldn't be
15 more grateful.

16 We're so proud of our partnership with The Trust,
17 so proud of our partnership with all of the agencies
18 that we work with that our funded by the Trust as
19 well. And I just want to say, personally, that Mr.
20 Haj is, he'll smile when I say this, but he's a great
21 hero of mine and all of us who are in the business of
22 taking care of children. He's always willing to take
23 a call, always willing to listen. And I have called
24 him in the past year, making some recommendations for
25 new things that could be funded that would support our

1 families, particularly with children with disabilities
2 who are in crisis, not just in the midst of COVID, but
3 in general, because access to care is still
4 complicated, particularly in terms of state and
5 federal benefits. And he's an action guy and I'm an
6 action guy, so I appreciate that.

7 So I just want to thank you all. Happy to be
8 here. Proud to be here with my friend Loreen. And
9 thank you. And much gratitude to all of you for the
10 work you're doing for all of us. Thanks.

11 MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you, Dr. Alessandri.

12 I think one more speaker that's registered, Betty
13 Alonso, the president and CEO of Connect Families.

14 MS. ALONSO: First of all, I just want to say
15 thank you. The reason I wanted to take a moment and
16 speak, and I won't take long, is really to commend the
17 Board, The Trust, staff, and the leadership at The
18 Children's Trust.

19 During this unusual time in our country and in
20 our community, and really thinking about it from an
21 equity perspective, about making sure that all
22 children have access to the resources that they need.
23 I think now more than ever we have been challenged in
24 new ways that perhaps we didn't realize we had the
25 resources and the resiliency to take care of our

1 community and children in many ways.

2 Connect Families works and is funded through The
3 Children's Trust and has been from the onset as one of
4 the community partnerships, family neighborhood
5 support partnerships. And perhaps in this time more
6 than ever we've been able to step up, but not only
7 step up by ourselves, but really activate the whole
8 network of the partnership. Just recently as
9 Saturday, we unloaded an 18-wheeler truck and
10 activated those partners to give out over 1,300 boxes
11 of food delivered to homes where folks would otherwise
12 not have access to food. But its beyond just the
13 immediate and basic needs, it's really about the
14 emotional support, the connections that make our
15 community a great community to work with and live in.
16 And having access to families and having those
17 relationships that we work with, whether it's UM Card
18 as a partner when we have children that have autism or
19 related disabilities, or United Way, and really
20 partnering with them on a number of things. It's
21 really about bringing all of us together.

22 So I could not let this Trim Meeting go by to say
23 thank you. And we recognize the resiliency and the
24 leadership that it takes because it is government
25 funding, so it isn't like a private foundation that

1 you could just decide, well, we're just going to do
2 things differently, there is a lot of things that go
3 behind the scenes to make those things happen. And I
4 wanted to make sure that Mr. Haj, and Stephanie, and
5 the rest of the team know that we recognize that. And
6 it makes a big difference. Not only to our
7 organization, to our staff, who is not having to worry
8 about whether or not they were going to be furloughed
9 but really being able to concentrate on helping those
10 families and those kids. So thank you, because we
11 know it's not easy.

12 MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you. Thank you for your
13 comments.

14 Muriel, is anybody else registered to give public
15 comment?

16 MR. JEANTY: No one, Chair, that was it.

17 MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you.

18 So the public comments on Resolution 2020-85 have
19 been completed.

20 May I have a motion to approve Resolution 2020-
21 85, setting the --

22 MS. JEANTY: Chair, its 2020-87.

23 MR. HOFFMAN: Okay, that's not what it said on my
24 script, but 2020-87.

25 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: So moved, Hollingsworth.

1 MR. DUNN: Second, Richard Dunn.

2 MR. HOFFMAN: Is there any Board discussion on
3 this final millage?

4 (No verbal response.)

5 MR. HOFFMAN: Mr. Haj, prior to the vote on the
6 resolution setting the final millage rate, we'll give
7 staff an opportunity to check if there's any change to
8 the millage rate.

9 MR. HAJ: Mr. Chair, this is just for the CFO to
10 confirm there's been no change to millage rate.

11 MR. HOFFMAN: Okay. Thank you.

12 MR. HAJ: Will?

13 MR. KIRTLAND: Yes. Good afternoon. I can
14 confirm that the millage rate has not changed.

15 MR. HOFFMAN: Jim, we'll turn it over to you.

16 MR. HAJ: This is The Children's Trust, there's a
17 motion and a second for the approval of 0.4507 and
18 there is a 0% increase, which is the same as the
19 rolled back rate of 0.4507. The proposed final
20 millage rate to be levied by The Children's Trust is
21 0.4507.

22 MR. HOFFMAN: We need a vote on the motion to
23 adopt the resolution setting the final millage.
24 Majority of those serving on the Board, excluding the
25 juvenile court judge, who will neither be counted nor

1 vote in determining the majority for purposes of the
2 millage rates.

3 I'll turn it over to our secretary.

4 MS. WELLER: Good afternoon, everyone. The vote
5 must be an individual roll call.

6 Dr. Magaly Abrahante?

7 MS. ABRAHANTE: Yes.

8 MS. WELLER: Laura Adams?

9 MS. ADAMS: Yes.

10 MS. WELLER: Matthew Arsenault?

11 MR. ARSENAULT: Yes.

12 MS. WELLER: Dr. Daniel Bagner?

13 MR. BAGNER: Yes.

14 MS. WELLER: The Honorable Dorothy Bendross-
15 Mindingall?

16 MS. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: Yes.

17 MS. WELLER: Constance Collins?

18 MS. COLLINS: Yes.

19 MS. WELLER: Mary Donworth?

20 MS. DONWORTH: Yes.

21 MS. WELLER: Richard P. Dunn?

22 MR. DUNN: Yes.

23 MS. WELLER: The Honorable Juan Fernandez-
24 Barquin?

25 MR. FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN: Yes.

1 MS. WELLER: Gilda Ferradaz?
2 MS. FERRADAZ: Yes.
3 MS. WELLER: Lourdes P. Gimenez?
4 MS. GIMENEZ: Yes.
5 MS. WELLER: Nicole Gomez?
6 MS. GOMEZ: Yes.
7 MS. WELLER: Mindy Grimes-Festge?
8 (No verbal response.)
9 MS. WELLER: Nelson Hincapie?
10 MR. HINCAPIE: Yes.
11 MS. WELLER: Kenneth Hoffman?
12 MR. HOFFMAN: Yes.
13 MS. WELLER: Pamela Hollingsworth?
14 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes.
15 MS. WELLER: Steve Hope?
16 MR. HOPE: Yes.
17 MS. WELLER: Dr. Monique Jimenez-Herrera?
18 MS. JIMENEZ-HERRERA: Yes.
19 MS. WELLER: The Honorable Barbara Jordan?
20 (No verbal response.)
21 MS. WELLER: Tiombe-Bisa Kendrick-Dunn?
22 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Yes.
23 MS. WELLER: Marissa Leichter?
24 MS. LEICHTER: Yes.
25 MS. WELLER: Dr. Susan Neimand?

1 MS. NEIMAND: Yes.

2 MS. WELLER: Javier Reyes?

3 MR. REYES: Yes.

4 MS. WELLER: Emily Rosendo?

5 MS. ROSENDO: Yes.

6 MS. WELLER: The Honorable Isaac Salver?

7 MR. SALVER: Yes.

8 MS. WELLER: Mark Trowbridge?

9 He's not there?

10 MS. JEANTY: He's not there.

11 MS. WELLER: Karen Weller, yes.

12 Sandra West?

13 MS. WEST: Yes.

14 MS. WELLER: Okay. I have 25.

15 MR. HOFFMAN: Same here, okay.

16 So the motion to approve the final millage

17 passes, is adopted at 5:30 p.m.

18 Second resolution to take up is Resolution 2020-

19 88. 2020-88 is the resolution of The Children's Trust

20 of Miami-Dade County, Florida, adopting the final

21 budget for fiscal year 2020-2021, providing for an

22 effective date. The public hearing is open on the

23 final budget.

24 Muriel, is anybody from the public registered to

25 speak on this motion?

1 MS. JEANTY: No, Chair, I don't have any other
2 people registered to speak.

3 MR. HOFFMAN: Okay, thank you.

4 The public hearing is closed on the final budget.

5 May I have a motion to approve Resolution 2020-
6 88, adopting the final budget?

7 MS. NEIMAND: Motion to approve.

8 MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you. And a second?

9 MR. DUNN: Second, Dunn.

10 MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you, Reverend Dunn.

11 Is there any Board discussion on the final
12 budget?

13 MS. DONWORTH: Second, Donworth.

14 MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you.

15 Is there any Board discussion on the final
16 budget, anybody like an opportunity to speak?

17 (No verbal response.)

18 MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you.

19 We need a vote on the motion for the resolution
20 setting the final budget. The majority of those on
21 the Board must vote affirmatively to approve the
22 budget, which is 16 out of 30. I'll turn it over to
23 our secretary.

24 MS. JEANTY: Mr. Chair, I would like to confirm
25 the person who moved the final budget resolution.

1 MR. HOFFMAN: I'm sorry?

2 MS. JEANTY: Who moved the final budget
3 resolution?

4 MR. HOFFMAN: Susan Neimand.

5 MS. WELLER: Okay, we're ready?

6 MR. HOFFMAN: Yes.

7 MS. WELLER: The vote must be an individual roll
8 call. The judge can vote on the final budget.
9 Dr. Magaly Abrahante?

10 MS. ABRAHANTE: Yes.

11 MS. WELLER: Laura Adams?

12 MS. ADAMS: Yes.

13 MS. WELLER: Matthew Arsenault?

14 MR. ARSENAULT: Yes.

15 MS. WELLER: Dr. Daniel Bagner?

16 MR. BAGNER: Yes.

17 MS. WELLER: The Honorable Dorothy Bendross-
18 Mindingall?

19 MS. BENDROSS-MINDINGALL: Yes.

20 MS. WELLER: Constance Collins?

21 MS. COLLINS: Yes.

22 MS. WELLER: Mary Donworth?

23 MS. DONWORTH: Yes.

24 MS. WELLER: Richard P. Dunn?

25 MR. DUNN: Yes.

1 MS. WELLER: The Honorable Juan Fernandez-
2 Barquin?
3 MR. FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN: Yes.
4 MS. WELLER: Gilda Ferradaz?
5 MS. FERRADAZ: Yes.
6 MS. WELLER: Lourdes P. Gimenez?
7 MS. GIMENEZ: Yes.
8 MS. WELLER: Nicole Gomez?
9 MS. GOMEZ: Yes.
10 MS. WELLER: Mindy Grimes-Festge?
11 MS. GRIMES-FESTGE: Yes.
12 MS. WELLER: Nelson Hincapie?
13 MR. HINCAPIE: Yes.
14 MS. WELLER: Kenneth Hoffman?
15 MR. HOFFMAN: Yes.
16 MS. WELLER: Pamela Hollingsworth?
17 MS. HOLLINGSWORTH: Yes.
18 MS. WELLER: Steve Hope?
19 MR. HOPE: Yes.
20 MS. WELLER: Dr. Monique Jimenez-Herrera?
21 MS. JIMENEZ-HERRERA: Yes.
22 MS. WELLER: The Honorable Barbara Jordan?
23 MS. JORDAN: Yes.
24 MS. WELLER: Tiombe-Bisa Kendrick-Dunn?
25 MS. KENDRICK-DUNN: Yes.

1 MS. WELLER: Marissa Leichter?
2 MS. LEICHTER: Yes.
3 MS. WELLER: Dr. Susan Neimand?
4 MS. NEIMAND: Yes.
5 MS. WELLER: The Honorable Judge Orlando
6 Prescott?
7 MR. PRESCOTT: Yes.
8 MS. WELLER: Javier Reyes?
9 MR. REYES: Yes.
10 MS. WELLER: Emily Rosendo?
11 MS. ROSENDO: Yes.
12 MS. WELLER: The Honorable Isaac Salver?
13 MR. SALVER: Yes.
14 MS. WELLER: Mark Trowbridge?
15 MS. JEANTY: He's not there.
16 MS. WELLER: Karen Weller, yes.
17 Sandra West?
18 MS. WEST: Yes.
19 MR. HOFFMAN: I count 28.
20 Karen?
21 MS. WELLER: I count 28 as well.
22 MR. HOFFMAN: The motion to approve the final
23 budget passes. And the Second Budget Trim Hearing is
24 hereby adjourned.
25 Thank you everybody for participating.

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MS. JEANTY: At what time was it adopted?

MS. WELLER: I have 5:35.

MR. HOFFMAN: I'm sorry, at 5:35 p.m.

MS. JEANTY: Thank you, Chair.

MS. WELLER: Thank you.

MR. HOFFMAN: Thank you everybody for participating the meeting and helping us pass the final millage and budget. Appreciate it.

(Whereupon, at 5:35 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.)

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