

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-071

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, REQUESTING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT A LOCAL BILL TO ALLOW THE TOWN TO DETERMINE IF IT WOULD LIKE TO PROTECT ITS FARM ANIMALS BY PROHIBITING THE SALE AND USE OF FIREWORKS EXCEPT BY PERMIT; AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A LOCAL BILL TO THE BROWARD DELEGATION IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME FORM AS THAT ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A"; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Southwest Ranches is a rural agrarian municipality located in southwest Broward County; and

WHEREAS, the Town's farm animals are negatively impacted by the use of fireworks; and

WHEREAS, to protect the Town's vibrant farming community, the Town desires the Florida Legislature to adopt a local bill to allow the Town to determine if they wish to prohibit the sale and use and fireworks within the Town except by permit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The above-referenced recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. The Town Council hereby respectfully requests the Florida Legislature to adopt a local bill to allow the Town to determine if they wish to prohibit the sale and use and fireworks within the Town except by permit.

Section 3. The Town Council authorizes the submission of a local bill to the Broward Delegation in substantially the same form as that attached hereto as Exhibit "A," and to make such modifications, additions, and/or deletions which they deem necessary and proper to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.

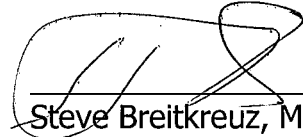
Section 4. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 29th day of July 2021 on a motion by

4/m Kuczenski and seconded by 4/m Hartmann.

Breitkreuz	<u>yes</u>
Hartmann	<u>yes</u>
Allbritton	<u>yes</u>
Jablonski	<u>yes</u>
Kuczenski	<u>yes</u>

Ayes	<u>5</u>
Nays	<u>0</u>
Absent	<u>0</u>
Abstaining	<u>0</u>



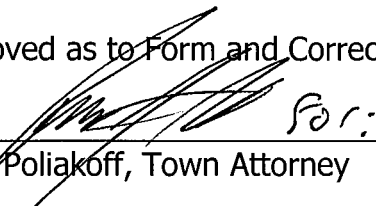
Steve Breitkreuz, Mayor

Attest:



Russell Muñiz, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

 For:

Keith Poliakoff, Town Attorney
10046.01

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Town of Southwest Ranches, Broward County; providing an exception to general law; prohibiting the sale and use of fireworks located within the Town of Southwest Ranches except under specified circumstances; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Notwithstanding ss. 791.001 and 791.08, Florida Statutes, the sale and use of fireworks within the Town of Southwest Ranches may be prohibited by the Town on all days of the year except for the following:

- (1) Supervised public displays within the jurisdictional boundaries of Southwest Ranches where such displays are handled by a competent operator to be approved by the chiefs of the police and fire departments of Southwest Ranches, and shall be of such a character, and so located, discharged, or fired as in the opinion of the chief of the fire department, after proper inspection, shall not be hazardous to property or endanger any person or farm animal. Application for permits shall be made to the Town in writing at least 15 days in advance of the date of the display. After such privilege shall have been granted, sales, possession, use, and distribution of fireworks for such display shall be lawful for that purpose only. No permit granted hereunder shall be transferable.
- (2) Nothing herein is intended or shall prevent the importation, purchase, sale or use of fireworks for agricultural purposes in s. 791.07, Florida Statutes.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.