

Miami Five Stars Lions Club

International Director Resolution

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

By unanimous vote of the Board of Directors and the General Meeting of the Miami Five Stars Lions Club, declare that we are honored and privileged to endorse and recommend to our fellow Lions of District 35N and Multiple District 35, Lion Diana M. Castillo as our candidate for the prestigious office of International Director for the International Association of Lions Club.

Whereas Past Council Chair Diana M. Castillo, of Miami, Florida, was elected District Governor of District 35N of The International Association of Lions Clubs at the association's 94th International Convention, held in Seattle, Washington, USA July 4-8, 2011;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has been an active and outstanding Lion since 2004, she has held many offices on the Club's Board of Directors, including Club President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Committee Chairperson. Lion Diana has proven outstanding leadership and was awarded the International Club President Excellence Award;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has also served as Region, Zone, Sunshine, Necrology, and Membership Chairs for the District;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has served as President, Secretary, and Board of Directors on: Projects, Inc., Lions Association of Diabetes Awareness, Lions for the Blind, Hearing Bank, Florida Lions Camp, Sight First II Coordinator, and District Cabinet Treasurer;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has served as Drive Director for the Lions Camp and received the Mel Carver Award;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo served on Lions Multiple District of Florida, Bahamas, Aruba, Bonaire & Curacao chair for Lions Clubs International Foundation (LCIF), Global Action Team (GAT), Global Membership Approach (GMA), District Global Membership Team (GMT), District Global Service Team (GST), District Public Relations. Lion Diana currently serves as a Vice President of the MD35 Retinopathy Foundation and Chair of the MD35 GMA;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has served as District Centennial chair, preparing for the one hundred years Lions Clubs Celebration. She has been a District Convention Chair and has organized Conferences in Miami and Key Largo, Florida. She served as a translator in the LCI Board Meeting and served as a volunteer in the Lions Clubs International Convention in Milan, Italy. Lion Diana is a Silver, Gold, and Diamond Centennial Recipient;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has served as a Committee Member of the Multiple District Long Range Planning Committee and the Special Olympics;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has served as the Multiple District LCIF Coordinator, and led a successful LCIF Campaign 100 proving her own leadership and was awarded two Leadership 100 Year medals, a Campaign 100 Presidential medal, a gold medal, and three bronze medals;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo currently serves as a Vice Area Leader of Constitutional Area 1E and successfully brought to the LCIF/Campaign 100 a fundraising Commemorative Pin to celebrate 35 years of women in Lionism;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo currently serves as a LCIF District Coordinator and as the Project Chairperson for the LCIF/JNJ/Heiken Sight for Kids Vision Program of District 35N;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo was awarded with both the District and the Florida State Multiple District Millard B. Conklin Crusader for Lionism Award in 2008;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo was awarded the District Pilot Award in 2014;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo was awarded a Multiple District 35 Senior Leader Award;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has received multiple awards and recognitions including the Governor's Achievement Award, the Order of the Golden Chain, three International President's Certificates, four Presidential medals, two Leadership medals, a Helping Hands Award, a Membership Master Key Recipient, and a 10- and 15-Year Charter Monarch Chevron;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has attended Council of Governors Conferences, Multiple District Conventions of Florida, Bahamas, Aruba, Bonaire & Curacao, multiple Leadership Seminars, 12 International Conventions, 12 USA/Canada Forums, 2 Latin American Conferences (FOLAC). Lion Diana served as a member of the Elections Committee for the 101st Convention in Las Vegas. Lion Diana attended multiple Lions Day with the United Nations Conferences, NY (USA);

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has taken part in a Senior Lions Leadership Institute (2009) and is a graduate member of the Faculty Development Institute (2010) and Faculty Development Excellence Series {FDES (2015)};

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has served as a Moderator for Lions Seminars at the Alaska USA Canada Leadership Forum (2011) and an English and Spanish presenter at the Forum in Tampa (2012) and Puerto Rico (2014);

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has been a Presenter at multiple events in the district and served as an instructor for District Officers, Extension Workshops, and has been an instructor at the Florida Leadership Retreat held in Florida in 2017;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has a Bachelor's, a Master's, and a Doctorate Degree from Lions University. This program is part of the USA-Canada Lions Leadership Forum;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo served as a District Governor from 2011 to 2012 and was the recipient of the 100% Excellence District Governor Medal and received the FIRST BELIEVER Excellence Award, a Second Vice District Governor Excellence Award, a District Governor yearly Extension Award for 4 New Clubs;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo served as President of the Past District Governors of Multiple District 35;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo served as a Council Chair for the Multiple District 35 Council of Governors between 2021 and 2022;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo is a Certified Diabetes Screener, and a Certified Retinopathy Screener;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo is actively involved in the community and has been a volunteer for:

- The Diabetes Camp for Children in Miami
- The Lions Camp for Disabled Children at Lake Wales
- Peace Poster Contest
- Medical Missions to Honduras: Diabetes and Vision Screenings for Children
- Substitute teacher for first graders in Morales, Izabal – Guatemala
- Back to School Program involving children and parents
- Collecting donations of clothes, toys for those in need
- Food drives
- Organizing and taking part in a Children Vision Screening in Aruba;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo is a graduate of the University of Tulsa with a degree in Business Administration/Management and has worked in the Financial Investment field for more than thirty-three years;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo speaks four languages, English, Spanish, Italian and French, and has attended the School in Siena, Italy, and the Universite of Aix- en- Provence in France;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo's leadership has extended into other community and professional organizations where she was elected and served as a Vice President of the Woman's Club of Plant City, FL (GFWC);

Whereas the Miami-Dade County Office of the Mayor and board of County Commissioners recognized Lion Diana for an outstanding job to the community with a Proclamation on November 18, 2007;

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo has the full support of her family; and

Whereas Lion Diana Castillo is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow – 7 Diamond YG; **now, therefore,** be it

Resolved that we, the members of the Miami Five Stars Lions Club, duly assembled in regular session this 7th of August 2023 do hereby unanimously and without reservation:

1. recommend and endorse Lion Diana Castillo as a CANDIDATE for the office of INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR of The International Association of Lions Clubs; and
2. enthusiastically encourage the Lions of District 35N, Lions of Florida, Bahamas, Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao and Multiple District 35 to join the Miami Five Stars Lions Club in their support of Lion Diana Castillo.

Respectfully,

Lion Ana Paredes
President

Lion Ilsy Gray
Secretary

"I Lion Diana Castillo Candidate for International Director do hereby agree to serve to the best of my ability if elected."

Lion Diana Castillo

Date