

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF PINECREST, FLORIDA,  
CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER  
3, 2026; ESTABLISHING A QUALIFYING PERIOD;  
PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION; AND  
PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, a vacancy will be created on the Village Council of the Village of Pinecrest (the "Village") due to the resignation of Councilmember Shannon del Prado effective April 18, 2026; and

WHEREAS, there will be more than six months remaining in the unexpired term of office for the Office of Councilmember for Seat 3; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.5 of the Village Charter provides the method of filling a Village Council vacancy; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2.5(c)(ii) of the Village Charter, the Village Mayor nominates an interim councilmember, subject to confirmation by the Village Council, to fill a vacancy on the Village Council until the next regularly scheduled election in Miami-Dade County when more than six months remain in the unexpired term of office for a seat; and

WHEREAS, Section 100.151, Florida Statutes, requires the governing authority of a municipality to obtain approval from the Supervisor of Elections in the county in which the municipality is located for the date of any scheduled special election; and

WHEREAS, in coordination with the Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections, the Village Council desires to call a Special Election to be held in conjunction with the General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, to fill the vacancy that will be created for the Office of Councilmember for Seat 3; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council finds that this Resolution is in the best interest of the Village and that it is necessary and appropriate to conduct a Special Election to fill the vacancy on the Village Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF PINECREST, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. That each of the above-stated recitals are hereby adopted, confirmed, and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Calling a Special Election. That a Special Election is hereby called for Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the purpose of electing a person to the Office of Councilmember for Seat 3 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Councilmember Shannon Del Prado, and to serve the remaining portion of the unexpired term for the Office of Councilmember for Seat 3.

Section 3. Qualifying. That it shall be the duty of any person desiring to become a candidate for election to the Office of Councilmember for Seat 3 to file a written notice of candidacy with the Village Clerk in such manner as prescribed by the Village Charter, the Village Code, and State Law during the qualifying period commencing at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2026, and expiring at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, June 12, 2026 (the "Qualifying Period"). The filing of a written notice of candidacy shall be accompanied by the \$100 qualification fee required by Section 2.4 of the Village Charter and any qualification fees required by Florida Law. Only qualified electors of the Village who have resided continuously in the Village for at least one year preceding the date of such filing shall be eligible to hold the Office of Councilmember for Seat 3, as provided by Section 2.4 of the Village Charter. The place of qualification shall be the Office of the Village Clerk, which is located at Village of Pinecrest Municipal Center, 12645 Pinecrest Parkway Pinecrest, Florida 33156.

Section 4. Election Procedure. That the Special Election shall be held and conducted in the manner prescribed by law for holding elections. Places of voting in such Special Election shall be the designated places of voting within the Village for general elections, unless otherwise provided by the Village Council or the Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections. The polls shall be open at such voting places on the date of such Special Election from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on said day. All qualified electors residing within the Village shall be entitled, qualified and permitted to vote at such Special Election.

Section 5. Registration Books. That the registration books of the Village, under the supervision of the Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections, shall be closed for a period of twenty-nine (29) days before said Special Election and shall remain closed subsequent to the Special Election as provided by law.

Section 6. Village Clerk. That the Village Clerk, acting as the local supervisor of elections, is hereby authorized and directed to file and cause to be published a notice of election as provided by law, and to take all other action necessary for the designation of election inspectors and clerks, printing and delivery of ballots and other actions. The Village Clerk is further authorized and directed to make appropriate arrangements with the Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections for the use of the necessary voting machines and for the preparation, printing and delivery of the official ballots for use in said voting machines and any additional service necessary for the conduct of the election.

Section 7. Notice of Election. That the notice of said election shall be published in accordance with Section 100.342, Florida Statutes, in a newspaper of general circulation within the Village, or by publication on the Miami-Dade County publicly accessible website as provided in Section 50.0311, Florida Statutes, at least thirty (30) days prior to said election, the first publication to be in the fifth week prior to the election, and the second publication to be in the third week prior to the election, and shall be accomplished by publication in substantially the following form:

VILLAGE OF PINECREST  
NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

All interested persons are hereby advised that the Village Council of the Village of Pinecrest, Florida (the "Village") has called a Special Election to be held in the Village on Tuesday, November 3, 2026, for the election of a Councilmember to fill a vacancy in the Office of Councilmember for Seat 3. The polls will open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the date of the election.

A copy of the Resolution calling the Special Election is available for inspection at the Office of the Village Clerk during regular business hours, which is located at Village of Pinecrest Municipal Center, 12645 Pinecrest Parkway Pinecrest, Florida 33156.

Section 8. Test of Equipment. That pursuant to Section 101.5612, Florida Statutes, a logic and accuracy test will be conducted on the automatic tabulating equipment to be used in this Special Election as determined by the Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections.

Section 9. Effective Date. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of April, 2026.

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Joseph M. Corradino, Mayor

Attest:

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Priscilla Torres, MMC  
Village Clerk

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency

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Mitchell Bierman  
Village Attorney