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3 **RESOLUTION NO. 2012-30**
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5 A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION
6 OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA,
7 URGING AND ENCOURAGING THE FLORIDA
8 STATE LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION
9 BANNING THE MARKETING, POSSESSION,
10 TRAFFICKING AND FURNISHING OF "BATH
11 SALTS" CONTAINING DANGEROUS SYNTHETIC
12 DRUGS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE
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15 WHEREAS, certain synthetic hallucinogenic drugs marketed as "bath salts" are
16 powerful stimulant drugs that are suspected to have been designed to avoid prosecution; and
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18 WHEREAS, "Ivory Wave", "Purple Wave", "Vanilla Sky", and "Bliss" are all
19 among the many street names of a so-called designer drug known as "bath salts"; and
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21 WHEREAS, with recent developments involving individuals' use of "bath salts"
22 containing dangerous synthetic drugs, stricter measures must be taken to stop the growing
23 prevalence of this designer drug; and
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25 WHEREAS, dangerous drugs like "bath salts" containing dangerous synthetic drugs
26 are terrorizing our communities and destroying lives; and
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28 WHEREAS, citing an "imminent threat to public safety", the U.S. Drug
29 Enforcement Administration ("DEA") made illegal the possession or sale of all known
30 chemicals used to make "bath salts" for a one-year period; and
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32 WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commission of the Village of Biscayne Park urge the
33 DEA to make the ban permanent, in order to protect our communities; and
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35 WHEREAS, by marketing these products as "bath salts" and labeling them "not for
36 human consumption", specifically enumerating them as illegal has been avoided; and
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38 WHEREAS, in recent years, the abuse of "bath salts" has been increasing and have
39 become increasingly popular due to the perception that they pose a seemingly safer
40 alternative to illegal methods of getting "high"; and
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42 WHEREAS, "bath salts" are readily available on the internet, at convenience stores,
43 discount tobacco outlets, gas stations, pawn shops, tattoo parlors, and other locations; and
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45 WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commission believe that legislation banning the
46 marketing, possession, trafficking and furnishing of "bath salts" containing dangerous
47 synthetic drugs will give law enforcement the tools they need to keep our streets safe from
48 this new and emerging drug that ruins lives and causes havoc in communities across the
49 country.
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51 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COMMISSION**
52 **OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, THAT:**
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55 **Section 1.** The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are true and correct and hereby
56 ratified and confirmed by the Village Commission.

