

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 10(A)(2)

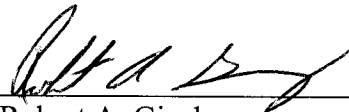
TO: Hon. Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D.
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: December 16, 2003

FROM: Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution relating to
Mexican consular
identification cards

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro.


Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- ☐ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- ☐ No committee review

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Approved _____ Mayor

Veto _____

Override _____

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12-16-03

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE MEXICAN CONSULAR
IDENTIFICATION CARD FOR OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION
PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Mexican Consular Identification Card is issued by the Mexican government to Mexican nationals who have resided in the United States for at least six months and furnish sufficient proof of their identification; and

WHEREAS, Mexican nationals lack access to basic amenities that many people take for granted, such as the ability to open bank accounts, which may make Mexican nationals more susceptible to crime; and

WHEREAS, Mexican nationals fear cooperating with law enforcement officials and are reluctant to report crimes committed against them and others because they lack proper identification; and

WHEREAS, such fear and reluctance impede effective law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, local law enforcement agencies expend significant time and resources identifying foreign nationals who are detained but lack proper identification; and

WHEREAS, the Mexican Consular Identification Card contains various security features to safeguard against falsification; and

WHEREAS, various local governments and agencies in Florida, including the City of Homestead, and other jurisdictions in the United States, including the State of California, have taken part in a growing national trend to assist local undocumented Mexican immigrants by endorsing the use of the Mexican Consular Identification Card for official identification purposes,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board endorses the use of the Mexican Consular Identification Card for official identification purposes.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro and offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler, Chairperson	
Katy Sorenson, Vice-Chairperson	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Betty T. Ferguson	Sally A. Heyman
Joe A. Martinez	Jimmy L. Morales
Dennis C. Moss	Dorrian D. Rolle
Natacha Seijas	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 16th day of December, 2003. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Susan Torres