MEMORANDUM

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Agenda Item No. 2(G)

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

DATE: April 21, 2004

FROM: Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution relating to the Senior L.I.F.T. Center

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Katy Sorenson, Commissioner Joe A. Martinez and Commissioner Jimmy L. Morales.

Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

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MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: May 11, 2004

FROM: Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No.

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**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No.
5-11-04

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ASSIST IN FINDING SOLUTIONS TO THE FINANCIAL EMERGENCY FACED BY THE SENIOR L.I.F.T. CENTER IN KENDALL

WHEREAS, the Senior L.I.F.T. (Living Individually with Fulfillment and Togetherness) Center is a non-profit organization offering recreational and social activities to seniors aged 55 to 91 in the Kendall area, for a nominal annual fee ($ 50 per year); and

WHEREAS, the L.I.F.T. Center has provided this community service since 1988, is run entirely by volunteer labor, presently serves approximately 650 seniors from many neighborhoods in south Miami-Dade County, and is the only such organization in south Miami-Dade providing such services; and

WHEREAS, the L.I.F.T. Center has lost its favorable lease in the Kendall area due to the planned renovation of the mall in which its facilities are located, and must vacate by June 2004; and

WHEREAS, the L.I.F.T. Center has accumulated funds to help defray the costs of the move and the new lease payments, but will be unable to shoulder the entire financial burden of having to relocate and lease new space in the Kendall area; and

WHEREAS, without financial assistance, the L.I.F.T. Center will be unable to continue operations due to this crisis; and

WHEREAS, the Kendall Community Council 12 has adopted a resolution urging this Board to help find both short-term and long-term solutions to the relocation problem faced by the L.I.F.T. Center,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby directs the County Manager to seek both short-term and long-term solutions to assist in the relocation and lease obligations faced by the Senior L.I.F.T. Center, so that its services to the seniors of south Miami-Dade County can be continued.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Katy Sorenson, Commissioner Joe A. Martinez and Commissioner Jimmy L. Morales 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	Dorrin D. Rolle
Natacha Seijas	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 11th day of May, 2004. 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.

Joni Armstrong Coffey