MEMORANDUM

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Agenda Item No. **2(E)**

TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: **February 09, 2005**

FROM: Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution dedicating Redland Fire Station 60 in memory of Chief Edward Cooper Neafsey

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Katy Sorenson.

Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

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MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: March 1, 2005

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.
3-1-05

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DEDICATING REDLAND FIRE STATION 60
IN MEMORY OF CHIEF EDWARD COOPER NEAFSEY

WHEREAS, Chief Edward Cooper Neafsey was born in Miami-Dade County on April 18, 1940 and was delivered in Homestead by medical pioneer Dr. James Archer Smith; and

WHEREAS, Chief Neafsey attended Redland Elementary and South Dade Senior High School, graduating and serving our nation in the Coast Guard; and

WHEREAS, Chief Neafsey raised four children in Miami-Dade County and was involved in coaching youth teams and youth activities in South Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, Chief Neafsey joined the Fire Department rising through the ranks until his retirement as the Assistant Chief of Operations overseeing 45 Fire Stations in the largest Fire Department in the southeastern United States; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as Operations Chief, the Fire Department expanded services and upgraded the skill levels on several units at his direction improving the service to the residents of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, in August 1992, Chief Neafsey was in charge of operations during Hurricane Andrew for Miami-Dade Fire Rescue, working around the clock while his own home was damaged and at great duress to his family, providing steady support to the Fire Fighters and leading by example; and

WHEREAS, Chief Neafsey served this community with honor and distinction and was well liked and respected by the men and women under his command; and

WHEREAS, the Neafsey family donated land for the Sacred Heart Church in Homestead and the land for South Dade Senior High School in early 1950; and

WHEREAS, Chief Neafsey helped plan and staff the service for the future Redland Fire Station before he retired from the Fire Department and tragically passed away before he could see it opened,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. This Board dedicates Redland Fire Station 60 in memory of Chief Edward Cooper Neafsey and in memory of the contributions he and his family made to the South Dade Community and the protection of our fellow citizens.

Section 2. The Neafsey family will be invited to attend and participate in the dedication of Station 60 and that a plaque honoring Chief Neafsey be placed on the station in his honor.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Katy Sorenson 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:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman
Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro	Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Carlos A. Gimenez
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 1st day of March, 2005. 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. RAG