

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(1)

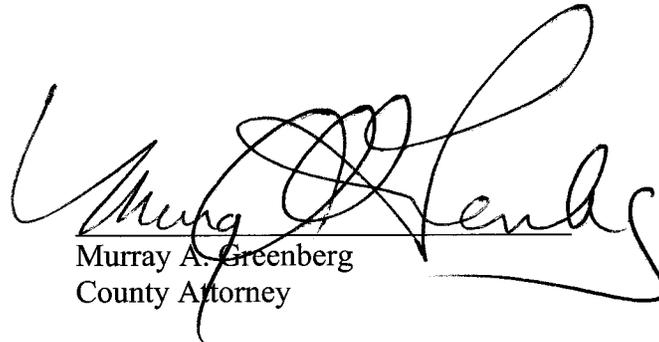
TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: November 1, 2005

FROM: Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging Florida
legislature to continue and
expand the hurricane sales
tax holiday

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Senator Javier D. Souto.



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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

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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11-01-05

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO
CONTINUE AND EXPAND THE HURRICANE SALES TAX
HOLIDAY

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 99-05 sponsored by Senator Javier D. Souto and adopted on January 20, 2005, this Board urged the Florida Legislature to adopt a Hurricane Sales Tax Holiday on personal hurricane supplies, such as batteries, flashlights, portable radios and bottled water, and on materials used to protect residential property from hurricanes, such as hurricane shutters, plywood, wind-resistant windows, generators, and materials used to build hurricane safe rooms; and

WHEREAS, during the 2005 legislative session, the Florida Legislature passed HB 6001, which provided for a Hurricane Sales Tax Holiday from June 1, 2005 to June 12, 2005 on the sale of flashlights, portable radios, tarps, first-aid kits, tie-down kits, fuel tanks, batteries, coolers, and generators; and

WHEREAS, the Hurricane Sales Tax Holiday was the nation's first such holiday and was a great success in encouraging Floridians to prepare for hurricane season; and

WHEREAS, Floridians saved approximately \$10 million in sales tax during the 12-day sales tax holiday and many retailers sold out their entire stock of some hurricane supplies, such as generators, flashlights, and batteries; and

WHEREAS, this Board considers the Hurricane Sales Tax Holiday to be worth repeating and expanding in 2006 to include hurricane shutters, wind-resistant windows, plywood to be used to cover windows, and materials used to build hurricane safe rooms,

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

Section 1. This Board urges the Florida Legislature to enact a Hurricane Sales Tax Holiday during the 2006 legislative session.

Section 2. This Board urges the Florida Legislature to expand the 2006 Hurricane Sales Tax Holiday to include hurricane shutters, wind-resistant windows, plywood to be used to cover windows, and materials used to build hurricane safe rooms, all in addition to the items included in the 2005 Hurricane Sales Tax Holiday.

Section 3. This Board directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for passage of legislation that re-adopts and expands the Hurricane Sales Tax Holiday, and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2006 state legislative package.

Section 4. The Clerk of the Board is directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Chair and members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Senator Javier D. Souto 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
Dorin 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 November, 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.

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Jess M. McCarty