

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(26)

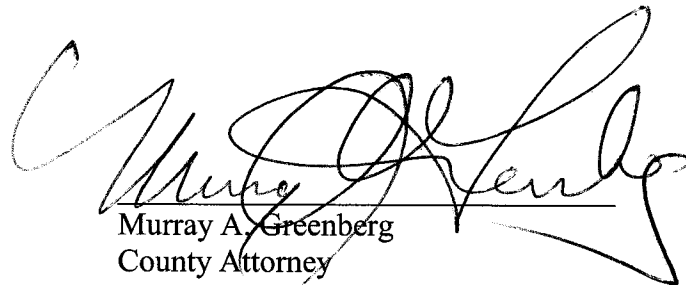
TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 9, 2006

FROM: Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging stores and
other establishments not to
sell, rent or make available
graphically violent video
games to minors

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of
Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan.



Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

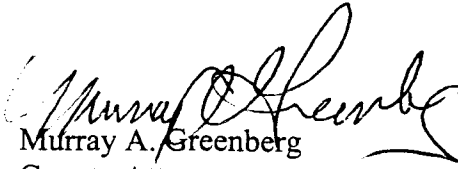
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Please note any items checked.

- "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

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A) (26)
5-9-06

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION URGING STORES AND OTHER
ESTABLISHMENTS NOT TO SELL, RENT, OR MAKE
AVAILABLE GRAPHICALLY VIOLENT VIDEO GAMES TO
MINORS

WHEREAS, graphically violent video games may encourage users of the game, particularly children, to engage in criminal or hateful activity and make children suffer deleterious effects on their psychological well-being; and

WHEREAS, the objectives that these games promote are in conflict with the objectives of law enforcement and make their jobs more difficult; and

WHEREAS, as a result of minors viewing these games and engaging in criminal or hateful activity, Miami-Dade County will be required to provide more monies in the area of enforcement and abatement measures; and

WHEREAS, these video games' objectives are incompatible with the moral fabric of the community,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, this Board urges stores and other establishments not to sell, rent, or make available graphically violent video games to minors. Furthermore, the Board of County Commissioners encourages these establishments to require photo identification in order to insure that only individuals eighteen years of age or older purchase or rent said games.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan 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
Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman
Dorrian D. Rolle
Katy Sorenson
Sen. Javier D. Souto

Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Carlos A. Gimenez
Barbara J. Jordan
Natacha Seijas
Rebeca Sosa

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 9th day of May, 2006. 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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Evan Grob