

## MEMORANDUM

Amended  
Agenda Item No. 14(A)(2)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** February 6, 2007

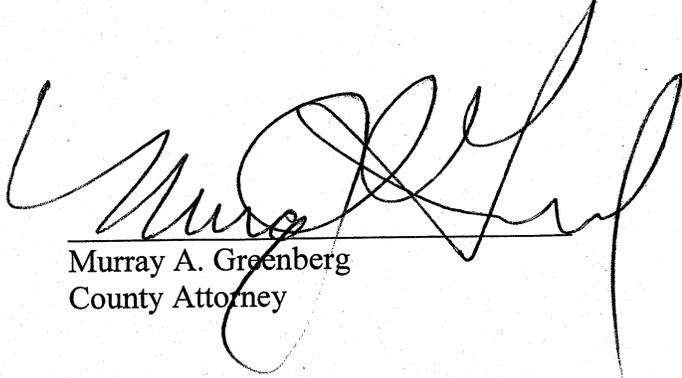
**FROM:** Murray A. Greenberg  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging Congress  
to vote against legislation  
that reduces funding for the  
Section 8 Housing Choice  
Voucher Program; and urges  
legislation that increases  
funding to the Section 8  
Program

**R-156-07**

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Rebeca Sosa, Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro, Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson, Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez, Commissioner Sally A. Heyman, Vice-Chairwoman Barbara J. Jordan, Commissioner Joe A. Martinez, Commissioner Dennis C. Moss, Commissioner Natacha Seijas, Commissioner Dorrin D. Rolle, Commissioner Katy Sorenson and Senator Javier D. Souto.



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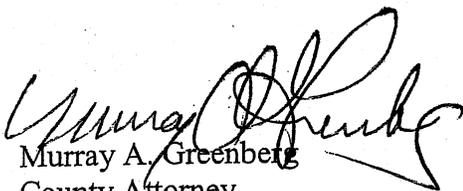


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Please note any items checked.

- "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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2-6-07

RESOLUTION NO. 156-07

RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO VOTE AGAINST  
ANY LEGISLATION THAT CHANGES THE FUNDING  
FORMULA TO AND REDUCES FUNDING FOR THE  
SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM  
("SECTION 8") FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2007, the United State House of Representatives voted in support of a bill that, if enacted, will cut Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program ("Section 8") funding to housing authorities located within the State of Florida by approximately \$28 million; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 8 program funding to Miami-Dade County, which is one of the largest public housing authorities in the State of Florida, would be cut by \$9.7 million; and

**WHEREAS**, affordable housing has reached a crisis in our community and communities around the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Section 8 is the leading source of federal housing assistance for extremely low-income families; and

**WHEREAS**, two-thirds of Section 8 housing vouchers issued in any year go to families with children, with the remainder predominantly going to people with disabilities and the elderly; and

**WHEREAS**, nearly one million families with children are currently served by the voucher program, almost twice the number of families with children in the public housing program; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 8 provides one way to help low and moderate income individuals and families obtain adequate housing; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed cuts will have a significant negative impact upon these individuals and families and will attribute further to the affordable housing crisis in Miami-Dade County,

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

**Section 1.** Urges the United States Congress to vote against any legislation that changes the funding formula to and reduces funding for the Section 8 program for Miami-Dade County;

**Section 2.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the members of the Miami-Dade County Congressional Delegation.

**Section 3.** Directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for the passage of the legislation set forth in Section 1 above, and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2007 Federal Legislative Package.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa, Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro, Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson, Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez, Commissioner Sally A. Heyman, Vice-Chairwoman Barbara J. Jordan, Commissioner Joe A. Martinez, Commissioner Dennis C. Moss, Commissioner Natacha Seijas, Commissioner Dorrin D. Rolle, Commissioner Katy Sorenson and 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:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman	
Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman	
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Carlos A. Gimenez	Sally A. Heyman
Joe A. Martinez	Dennis C. Moss
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007. 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.



Terrence A. Smith

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