

**MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(2)

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

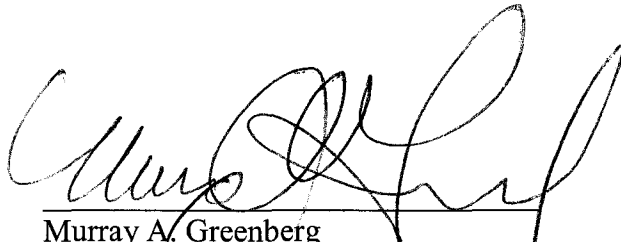
**DATE:** June 5, 2007

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution declaring  
the month of June as  
Elder Abuse Awareness  
Month

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Rebeca Sosa, Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez, Commissioner Katy Sorenson and 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

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Veto \_\_\_\_\_

06-05-07

Override \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF JUNE AS  
ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

**WHEREAS**, seniors are valued members of our community and it is our collective responsibility to ensure they live safely and with dignity; and

**WHEREAS**, as our population ages, the number of elderly who become victims of neglect, physical and financial abuse will increase; and

**WHEREAS**, it is estimated that for every one case of elder abuse, neglect, exploitation, or self-neglect reported to authorities, approximately five more go unreported; and

**WHEREAS**, an effective way to combat this problem is to make the citizens of Miami-Dade County aware of the various types of elder abuse, including: physical abuse, mental abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation; and

**WHEREAS**, part of the solution to elder abuse is to report any suspicion that an older adult is being harmed in some way; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County desires to take part in the campaign to raise awareness of the prevalence of elder abuse and the resources available to help the victims of this abuse; and

**WHEREAS**, combating abuse of older people will help improve the quality of life for all seniors and will allow seniors to continue to live as independently as possible and contribute to the life and vibrancy of Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to declare the month of June as Elder Abuse Awareness Month and to encourage observance of the month with the appropriate exhibitions and informational activities,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,** that this Board declares the month of June as Elder Abuse Awareness Month and urges all citizens to be vigilant and report any suspicion of physical, emotional, or financial elder abuse throughout the year. This Board urges all to encourage the observance of the month with appropriate exhibitions and informational activities on how to help the older adults in our community who are victims of abuse.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa, Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez, 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 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 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.



Mandana M. Dashtaki