MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(6)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

July 10, 2007

FROM:

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.

Acting County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution establishing

Sister City affiliation Between Miami-Dade County and the City of Cape Town, Republic

of South Africa

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Natacha Seijas and Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson.

Acting County Attorney

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No committee review

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P	lease 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)

Approved _		Mayor	Agenda Item No.	11(A)(6)
Veto			7-10-07	
Override _				
	RESOLUTION NO.			

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SISTER CITY AFFILIATION BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF CAPE TOWN, REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

WHEREAS, representatives of the Jay Malina International Trade Consortium (ITC) of Miami-Dade County, Florida and representatives of the Government of the City of Cape Town, Republic of South Africa have met and expressed a desire to establish a Sister City affiliation between the two governments and their people; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Cape Town, Helen Zille, and Miami-Dade County Commissioner, Natacha Seijas signed a Declaration of Intent on April 23, 2007, and have expressed a desire to broaden existing contacts, explore new cooperation possibilities and develop and encourage joint projects; and

WHEREAS, both communities are similar in population, base their economy on trade and tourism, and meet the guidelines established by Miami-Dade County and Sister Cities International; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Miami and the Port of Cape Town have signed a Sister Port agreement, and have committed to develop strategies to increase cruise and cargo trade at both ports; and

WHEREAS, both Miami Dade County and the City of Cape Town, Republic of South Africa want to cooperate to further commerce, tourism, and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Sister Cities Coordinating Council has recommended this affiliation after a thorough evaluation; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to establish an official Sister City affiliation between Miami-Dade County and the City of Cape Town, Republic of South Africa,

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

Section 1. This Board, on behalf of the citizens of Miami-Dade County, Florida wishes to establish a Sister City affiliation with the government and the people of the City of Cape Town, Republic of South Africa.

Section 2. A private citizen, upon the execution of an agreement between the Mayor of Miami-Dade County and the Mayor of the City of Cape Town, shall be appointed by the Mayor to assist the Sister Cities Coordinating Council in coordinating projects to increase and promote trade, culture, tourism, and educational opportunities between these two communities.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Natacha Seijas and Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson 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

Carlos A. Gimenez

Joe A. Martinez Dorrin D. Rolle

Katy Sorenson

Sen. Javier D. Souto

Audrey M. Edmonson

Sally A. Heyman

Dennis C. Moss

Natacha Seijas Rebeca Sosa

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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 10^{th} day of July. 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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Eric A. Rodriguez