

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(15)

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

DATE: December 4, 2007

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging Florida
Legislature to designate
portion of Opa-locka Blvd./
NW 135th St. as "Honorable
Robert B. Ingram, Ph.D.
Boulevard"

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



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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 _____

12-04-07

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO DESIGNATE OPA-LOCKA BOULEVARD/N.W. 135TH STREET FROM N.W. 7TH AVENUE TO N.W. 47TH AVENUE AS THE "HONORABLE ROBERT B. INGRAM, PH.D. BOULEVARD"; APPROVING SUCH DESIGNATION; AND URGING THE CITY OF OPA-LOCKA TO APPROVE SUCH DESIGNATION

WHEREAS, the Honorable Robert B. Ingram passed away on Wednesday, September 5, 2007, at the age of 71; and

WHEREAS, Ingram left behind a string of firsts: in 1962, he and Officer Clarence Dickson became the first African-American officers at the City of Miami downtown police station; Ingram later became Miami's first African-American motorcycle police officer; and still later became the first elected mayor of the City of Opa-locka; and

WHEREAS, Ingram is the only Opa-locka mayor to serve six consecutive terms from 1986 to 1998; and

WHEREAS, Ingram was first elected to the School Board in November, 1998, and continued in that role until his death; and

WHEREAS, Ingram also served as assistant to the president at Florida Memorial University and senior pastor at Mount Zion AME in Miami Gardens; and

WHEREAS, as mayor, Ingram initiated programs in the areas of affordable housing, neighborhood improvement, citizens participation in governmental services; crime prevention; services to senior citizens, and youth programs; and

WHEREAS, as a school board member, he was a passionate advocate for the children of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, many considered Ingram the dean of African-American elected officials in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, Section 334.071, Florida Statutes, provides that the installation of road designation signs shall be contingent on the applicable city and county commissions passing resolutions in support of the particular honorary road designation; and

WHEREAS, before the Florida Department of Transportation will install signs reflecting the “Robert B. Ingram, Ph.D. Boulevard” road designation, the City of Opa-locka will need to pass a resolution in support of the road designation, in addition to 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 Florida Legislature to designate Opa-locka Boulevard/N.W. 135th Street from N.W. 7th Avenue to N.W. 47th Avenue as the “Honorable Robert B. Ingram, Ph.D. Boulevard.”

Section 2. Approves the designation of Opa-locka Boulevard/N.W. 135th Street from N.W. 7th Avenue to N.W. 47th Avenue as the “Honorable Robert B. Ingram, Ph.D. Boulevard.”

Section 3. Urges the City of Opa-locka to pass a resolution in support of designating Opa-locka Boulevard/N.W. 135th Street from N.W. 7th Avenue to N.W. 47th as the “Honorable Robert B. Ingram, Ph.D. Boulevard.”

Section 4. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit certified copies of the resolution to the Governor; the Senate President; the House Speaker; the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation; and the City of Opa-locka Mayor, Commissioners and City Manager.

Section 5. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the issues identified in section 1 above, and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2008 state legislative package.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Vice-Chairwoman Barbara J. Jordan and Commissioner Rebeca Sosa 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
Dorin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of December, 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.

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Jess M. McCarty

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