



MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item 15(B)4

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

DATE: March 4, 2008

FROM: Honorable Harvey Ruvin, Clerk
Circuit and County Courts

SUBJECT: Approval of Certificate of
County Canvassing Board
for the Presidential Preference
Primary Elections
January 29, 2008

Kay Sullivan, Director
Clerk of the Board Division

Attached for your approval is the Certificate of County Canvassing Board for the Presidential Preference Primary Elections conducted on January 29, 2008.

KS: fcd
Attachment

Memorandum



Date: February 11, 2008
To: Kay Sullivan, Director
Clerk of the Board
From: Lester Sola
Supervisor of Elections
Subject: Presidential Preference Primary
January 29, 2008

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lester Sola", written over the "From:" field of the memorandum.

Enclosed is the Miami-Dade County Canvassing Board Official Results for the Presidential Preference Primary Elections conducted on January 29, 2008.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 305-499-8509.

Enclosure

CLERK OF THE BOARD
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CLERK OF THE BOARD
DADE COUNTY, FLA.
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CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD

STATE OF FLORIDA

Miami-Dade County

2008 FEB 12 AM 10:30

CLERK OF COUNTY COURTS
DADE COUNTY, FLA.
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We, the undersigned, County Court Judge SHELLEY J. KRAVITZ, **Chairperson**, County Commissioner JOSE "PEPE" DIAZ, **Member** and Supervisor of Elections LESTER SOLA, **Member**, constituting the Board of County Canvassers in and for said County, do hereby certify that we met on the 8th day of February, A.D., 2008, and proceeded publicly to canvass the votes given for the Proposed Revision to the Constitution of the State of Florida and local referendums on the 29th day of January, A.D., 2008, as shown by the returns on file in the office of the Supervisor of Elections. We do hereby certify from said returns as follows:

**NO. 1
CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION
ARTICLE VII, SECTIONS 3, 4, AND 6; ARTICLE XII, SECTION 27**

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS; LIMITATIONS ON PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENTS

This revision proposes changes to the State Constitution relating to property taxation. With respect to homestead property, this revision: (1) increases the homestead exemption except for school district taxes and (2) allows homestead property owners to transfer up to \$500,000 of their Save-Our-Homes benefits to their next homestead. With respect to nonhomestead property, this revision (3) provides a \$25,000 exemption for tangible personal property and (4) limits assessment increases for specified nonhomestead real property except for school district taxes.

In more detail, this revision:

- (1) Increases the homestead exemption by exempting the assessed value between \$50,000 and \$75,000. This exemption does not apply to school district taxes.
- (2) Provides for the transfer of accumulated Save-Our-Homes benefits. Homestead property owners will be able to transfer their Save-Our-Homes benefit to a new homestead within 1 year and not more than 2 years after relinquishing their previous homestead; except, if this revision is approved by the electors in January of 2008 and if the new homestead is established on January 1, 2008, the previous homestead must have been relinquished in 2007. If the new homestead has a higher just value than the previous one, the accumulated benefit can be transferred; if the new homestead has a lower just value, the amount of benefit transferred will be reduced. The transferred benefit may not exceed \$500,000. This provision applies to all taxes.
- (3) Authorizes an exemption from property taxes of \$25,000 of assessed value of tangible personal property. This provision applies to all taxes.
- (4) Limits the assessment increases for specified nonhomestead real property to 10 percent each

year. Property will be assessed at just value following an improvement, as defined by general law, and may be assessed at just value following a change of ownership or control if provided by general law. This limitation does not apply to school district taxes. This limitation is repealed effective January 1, 2019, unless renewed by a vote of the electors in the general election held in 2018.

Further, this revision:

- a. Repeals obsolete language on the homestead exemption when it was less than \$25,000 and did not apply uniformly to property taxes levied by all local governments.
- b. Provides for homestead exemptions to be repealed if a future constitutional amendment provides for assessment of homesteads "at less than just value" rather than as currently provided "at a specified percentage" of just value.
- c. Schedules the changes to take effect upon approval by the electors and operate retroactively to January 1, 2008, if approved in a special election held on January 29, 2008, or to take effect January 1, 2009, if approved in the general election held in November of 2008. The limitation on annual assessment increases for specified real property shall first apply to the 2009 tax roll if this revision is approved in a special election held on January 29, 2008, or shall first apply to the 2010 tax roll if this revision is approved in the general election held in November of 2008.

YES for Approval	<u>268,247</u>	votes
NO for Rejection	<u>107,435</u>	votes

County Question No. 1

Miami-Dade Home Rule Charter Amendment Relating to the Qualifying Dates for Certain County Elected Offices

Shall the Charter be amended to move the candidate qualifying period for certain Miami-Dade County elected offices three weeks earlier, in accordance with State law?

The whole number of votes cast was 353,001, of which number:

YES	<u>266,637</u>	votes
NO	<u>86,364</u>	votes

County Question No. 2

Home Rule Charter Amendment Changing Property Appraiser from an Appointed to an Elected Office

Shall the Charter be amended to provide for the transfer of the duties of the County Property Appraiser from a person appointed and supervised by the Mayor to a person elected and subject to recall by the voters?

The whole number of votes cast was 365,294, of which number:

YES	<u>280,552</u>	votes
NO	<u>84,742</u>	votes

County Question No. 3

Slot Machines Limited to Existing Horse and Dog Tracks and Jai Alai Frontons

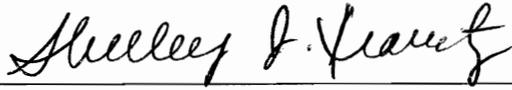
Shall slot machine gaming be permissible at existing horse and dog tracks and jai alai frontons in Miami-Dade County as authorized by, and subject to the restrictions of, State law and subject to State taxes on all slot machine revenues that must be used to supplement public education funding statewide?

The whole number of votes cast was 387,385, of which number:

YES	<u>244,203</u>	votes
NO	<u>143,182</u>	votes

**** Official ****

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD:



County Judge SHELLEY J. KRAVITZ

Chairperson



County Commissioner JOSE "PEPE" DIAZ

Member



Supervisor of Elections LESTER SOLA

Member

Total ballots cast in Miami-Dade County was 400,167 for a 37%
percent turnout.

	TOTAL VOTES	%	IVOTRONICS	ABSENTEE	EARLY VOTING	PROVISIONAL P	PROVISIONAL I
PRECINCTS COUNTED (OF 752)	752	100.00					
REGISTERED VOTERS - TOTAL	1083,788						
REGISTERED VOTERS - REPUBLICAN	360,494	33.26					
REGISTERED VOTERS - DEMOCRATIC	459,408	42.39					
REGISTERED VOTERS - NONPARTISAN	263,886	24.35					
BALLOTS CAST - TOTAL	400,167		267,470	66,382	66,170	123	22
BALLOTS CAST - REPUBLICAN	160,817	40.19	102,473	33,548	24,744	43	9
BALLOTS CAST - DEMOCRATIC	180,804	45.18	123,925	24,404	32,404	61	10
BALLOTS CAST - NONPARTISAN	58,545	14.63	41,072	8,429	9,022	19	3
VOTER TURNOUT - TOTAL		36.92					
VOTER TURNOUT - REPUBLICAN		44.61					
VOTER TURNOUT - DEMOCRATIC		39.36					
VOTER TURNOUT - NONPARTISAN		22.19					

	TOTAL VOTES	%	IVOTRONICS	ABSENTEE	EARLY VOTING	PROVISIONAL P	PROVISIONAL I
PRESIDENT							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 752 OF 752 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
Rudy Giuliani	40,595		19,794	13,470	7,322	8	1
Mike Huckabee	9,245		5,906	1,839	1,497	3	0
Duncan Hunter	321		223	60	38	0	0
Alan Keyes	395		266	76	53	0	0
John McCain.	76,356		51,755	13,543	11,033	22	3
Ron Paul.	2,969		2,002	486	478	3	0
Mitt Romney.	24,189		17,998	2,873	3,308	6	4
Tom Tancredo	218		140	48	30	0	0
Fred Thompson	1,131		397	443	290	1	0
Total	155,419		98,481	32,838	24,049	43	8
Over Votes	225		0	225	0	0	0
Under Votes	5,173		3,992	485	695	0	1

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	TOTAL VOTES	%	IVOTRONICS	ABSENTEE	EARLY VOTING	PROVISIONAL P	PROVISIONAL I
PROPERTY TAX							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 751 OF 751 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
YES/SI/WI 30	268,247		180,383	42,841	44,932	78	13
NO/NO/NON 31	107,435		75,749	12,360	19,296	23	7
Total	375,682		256,132	55,201	64,228	101	20
Over Votes	239		0	239	0	0	0
Under Votes	23,982		11,338	10,678	1,942	22	2

County Question No. 1							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 751 OF 751 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
YES/SI/WI 40	266,637		173,848	46,109	46,605	60	15
NO/NO/NON 41	86,364		58,641	14,467	13,224	27	5
Total	353,001		232,489	60,576	59,829	87	20
Over Votes	180		0	179	0	1	0
Under Votes	46,388		34,981	5,047	6,341	17	2

County Question No. 2							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 751 OF 751 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
YES/SI/WI 43	280,552		183,002	50,571	46,901	64	14
NO/NO/NON 44	84,742		58,620	11,490	14,597	28	7
Total	365,294		241,622	62,061	61,498	92	21
Over Votes	233		0	232	0	1	0
Under Votes	34,041		25,848	3,508	4,672	12	1

County Question No. 3							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 751 OF 751 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
YES/SI/WI 46	244,203		157,833	44,832	41,472	55	11
NO/NO/NON 47	143,182		101,254	18,902	22,973	43	10
Total	387,385		259,087	63,734	64,445	98	21
Over Votes	286		0	286	0	0	0
Under Votes	11,896		8,383	1,780	1,725	7	1

Charter Amendment CITY:CORAL GABLES							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 26 OF 26 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
YES (FOR THE MEASURE) 50	5,693		3,581	828	1,283	1	0
NO (AGAINST THE MEASURE) 51	6,530		4,052	1,038	1,438	2	0
Total	12,223		7,633	1,866	2,721	3	0
Over Votes	15		0	15	0	0	0
Under Votes	1,157		686	289	181	1	0

Charter Amendment to establish in the Miami Charter a							
Citizens' Bill of Rights CITY:MIAMI							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 127 OF 127 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
YES (FOR THE MEASURE) 60	36,903		24,161	7,075	5,660	5	2
NO (AGAINST THE MEASURE) 61	9,407		6,404	1,674	1,328	0	1
Total	46,310		30,565	8,749	6,988	5	3
Over Votes	25		0	25	0	0	0
Under Votes	7,387		4,861	1,786	734	6	0

	TOTAL VOTES	%	IVOTRONICS	ABSENTEE	EARLY VOTING	PROVISIONAL P	PROVISIONAL I
"Hospital District" Charter Amendment CITY:MIAMI BEACH							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 35 OF 35 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
YES/SI/WI 70	8,977		5,405	1,632	1,936	4	0
NO/NO/NON 71	4,107		2,624	671	811	1	0
Total	13,084		8,029	2,303	2,747	5	0
Over Votes	6		0	6	0	0	0
Under Votes	2,480		1,396	682	396	6	0
Proposition I - NBV CITY:NORTH BAY VILLAGE							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 2 OF 2 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
FOR BONDS 80	516		391	48	77	0	0
AGAINST BONDS 81	302		211	39	49	3	0
Total	818		602	87	126	3	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	41		28	5	8	0	0
Proposition II - NBV CITY:NORTH BAY VILLAGE							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 2 OF 2 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
FOR BONDS 83	506		393	43	70	0	0
AGAINST BONDS 84	305		209	36	57	3	0
Total	811		602	79	127	3	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	48		28	13	7	0	0
Proposition III - NBV CITY:NORTH BAY VILLAGE							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 2 OF 2 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
FOR REFERENDUM 86.	543		407	60	76	0	0
AGAINST REFERENDUM 87	263		192	23	46	2	0
Total	806		599	83	122	2	0
Over Votes	1		0	1	0	0	0
Under Votes	52		31	8	12	1	0
Proposition IV - NBV CITY:NORTH BAY VILLAGE							
(Vote for) 1							
(WITH 2 OF 2 PRECINCTS COUNTED)							
FOR BONDS 89	489		370	40	79	0	0
AGAINST BONDS 90	332		232	45	52	3	0
Total	821		602	85	131	3	0
Over Votes	0		0	0	0	0	0
Under Votes	38		28	7	3	0	0