

**MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(17)

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

**DATE:** September 2, 2008

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution joining the City  
of Miami and approving the  
State Road designation of that  
portion of State Road 976/S.W.  
40<sup>th</sup> Street from Hibiscus Street  
to Ohio Street as "Will James  
Johnson Road"

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez.

  
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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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9-2-08

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

RESOLUTION JOINING THE CITY OF MIAMI AND APPROVING THE STATE ROAD DESIGNATION OF THAT PORTION OF STATE ROAD 976/S.W. 40<sup>TH</sup> STREET FROM HIBISCUS STREET TO OHIO STREET AS “WILL JAMES JOHNSON ROAD”

**WHEREAS**, Will James Johnson was born and raised in Coconut Grove, and he graduated from Coral Gables Senior High School in 1971; and

**WHEREAS**, upon retiring from military service, Johnson returned home to Coconut Grove describing it as his “calling,” according to his wife, Miok; and

**WHEREAS**, Johnson was a passionate activist for issues in the Village West and Coconut Grove community; and

**WHEREAS**, Johnson was a past President of the Homeowners and Tenants Association of Village West (HOATA), a former member of the Coconut Grove Village Council representing Village West, and a St. Albans Board Member; and

**WHEREAS**, Johnson was involved in the Bayshore Drive Beautification project, which was finalized before the Super Bowl hosted by Greater Miami in 2007; and

**WHEREAS**, Johnson was a major force behind the Grand Avenue Streetscape Beautification Program and the construction and remodeling of Virrick Gym and Park; and

**WHEREAS**, Johnson served as an aide to former County Commissioner Jimmy Morales; and

**WHEREAS**, Johnson was an aide to Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez when he passed away on March 2, 2008 at the age of 55; and

**WHEREAS**, during the 2008 regular session, the Florida Legislature passed Senate Bill 1604, which, among other road designations, designates that portion of State Road 976/S.W. 40<sup>th</sup> Street from Hibiscus Street to Ohio Street as “Will James Johnson Road”; and

**WHEREAS**, section 334.071, Florida Statutes, provides that the installation of road designation signs shall be contingent on the applicable county or city commission passing a resolution in support of the particular honorary road designation; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miami approved this road designation by resolution passed June 12, 2008, file number 08-00546,

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

**Section 1.** Joins the City of Miami in approving the State Road designation of that portion of State Road 976/S.W. 40<sup>th</sup> Street from Hibiscus Street to Ohio Street as “Will James Johnson Road.”

**Section 2.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez. It was 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 2nd day of September, 2008. 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.



Jess M. McCarty

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