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MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 2(F)

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

DATE: September 11, 2008

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the Mayor or designee to provide a report regarding County funding for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for horses and other large animals that are confiscated by the County in cases of abuse, neglect, or abandonment

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Katy Sorenson.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RAC Jr", written over a horizontal line.

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

RAC/cp



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: October 7, 2008

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No.

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 _____

Agenda Item No.
10-7-08

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE A REPORT REGARDING COUNTY FUNDING FOR THE SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS FOR HORSES AND OTHER LARGE ANIMALS THAT ARE CONFISCATED BY THE COUNTY IN CASES OF ABUSE, NEGLECT, OR ABANDONMENT

WHEREAS, Chapter 828, Florida Statutes, addresses the issue of animal cruelty, abandonment and neglect, and provides the County with authority to take possession of animals that are being abused or neglected; and

WHEREAS, Sections 588.16 and 588.21, Florida Statutes, provide that the County has a duty to transport and provide a suitable place for keeping impounded livestock; and

WHEREAS, Sections 588.22, Florida Statutes, sets forth the particular responsibilities that the County has related to impounded livestock; and

WHEREAS, currently there is no County funding for the care of horses and other large animals confiscated by the County due to neglect, cruelty, or abandonment; and

WHEREAS, the South Florida Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) is a nonprofit organization established in 1992 to care for animals that have been neglected, treated cruelly, or abandoned; and

WHEREAS, the SPCA currently cares for horses and other large animals confiscated by the County due to neglect, cruelty, or abandonment; and

WHEREAS, the SPCA provides this care based on donations, volunteers and fundraisers, but does not receive funding or reimbursement from the County for the care of animals confiscated by the County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board directs the Mayor or designee to provide a report within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this resolution regarding County funding for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for animals that are confiscated by the County in cases of neglect, cruelty, or abandonment.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Katy Sorenson. 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
Dorin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of October, 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.

JMM

Jess M. McCarty

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