



**MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(13)

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

**DATE:** October 7, 2008

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution directing the Mayor or  
County Mayor's designee to establish  
a campaign promoting and requesting  
donations from Miami-Dade County  
employees to the Parks Foundation of  
Miami-Dade, Inc.

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", is written over a horizontal line.

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

10-7-08

Override \_\_\_\_\_

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

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO ESTABLISH A CAMPAIGN PROMOTING AND REQUESTING DONATIONS FROM MIAMI-DADE COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO THE PARKS FOUNDATION OF MIAMI-DADE, INC., A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, AND FURTHER DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO ESTABLISH A SYSTEM BY WHICH SUCH DONATIONS CAN BE COLLECTED BY DIRECT DEPOSIT

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade Park and Recreation Department ("MDPR") receives approximately 62 percent of its funding from property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, growth in property tax revenue will be virtually flat for fiscal year 2008-2009 due to actions of the State Legislature, voter-approved constitutional changes that provided property tax relief, and impacts of the economy on the housing market; and

**WHEREAS**, MDPR seeks to provide recreational services for all citizens of the County; and

**WHEREAS**, MDPR's summer camp registers approximately 11,000 children in 52 parks Countywide, and the after-school program registers 3,500 children yearly, including children with disabilities, in 43 parks countywide; and

**WHEREAS**, flat property tax revenue growth has resulted in MDPR increasingly resorting to a fee-based system, which leaves many economically disadvantaged families unable to afford MDPR programs without financial assistance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Parks Foundation of Miami-Dade, Inc. (the "Foundation"), was established in 2004 with the mission of providing independent funding resources to MDPR; and

**WHEREAS**, the Foundation is currently encouraging private organizations and the

public at large to invest in our community's future by donating funds to the Foundation to help support MDPR programs; and

**WHEREAS**, County employees have a long history of generously contributing to disadvantaged residents of the County, and have assisted both County residents and residents of other counties, states and nations during natural disasters and other times when people have been in need; and

**WHEREAS**, payroll deduction could provide County employees an easy way to support the Foundation and MDPR programs,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that the County Mayor or Mayor's designee is hereby directed to establish a campaign requesting and promoting donations from County employees to the Foundation, and to provide a system whereby employees have the ability to donate to the Foundation through direct deposit from their payroll. The fundraising campaign should be targeted at providing children's programming, sports equipment and scholarships for after-school and summer programs, and other capital and programmatic giving opportunities as detailed in MDPR's Adopt-A-Park program. Funding for the fundraising campaign may be taken from the District 8 carryover office funds in the amount of \$10,000. If the entire amount is not used for the fundraising campaign, any balance shall go directly to the Foundation for after-school and summer camp scholarships.

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
Dorrin 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.

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Martin W. Sybblis