



MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item 15(B)4

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss, and
Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 22, 2009

FROM: Honorable Harvey Ruvin, Clerk
Circuit and County Courts

SUBJECT: Resolution No. 08R-11-264
City of Lauderhill

Kay M. Sullivan, Director
Clerk of the Board Division

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 08R-11-264 of the City Commission of the City of Lauderhill supporting an amendment to Florida's Constitution to require the Florida Legislature to operate under the Florida Sunshine Law; providing for an effective date (requested by Vice Mayor, M. Margaret Bates.)

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Attachments



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CLERK, CIRCUIT & COUNTY COURTS
DADE COUNTY, FLA.
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December 15, 2008

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed, for your information, please find Resolution No. 08R-11-264, passed and adopted on November 24, 2008, by the Commission of the City of Lauderhill, Florida.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Regards,
Andrea M. Anderson

Andrea M. Anderson
City Clerk

enc.

RESOLUTION NO. 08R-11-264

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL SUPPORTING AN AMENDMENT TO FLORIDA'S CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO OPERATE UNDER THE FLORIDA SUNSHINE LAW; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY VICE MAYOR, M. MARGARET BATES)

WHEREAS, Florida's Government-in-the-Sunshine Law, enacted in 1967, established a right of access to most meetings of boards, commissions and other governing bodies of state and local governmental agencies; and

WHEREAS, Governor Crist recently proclaimed March 16-22,2008 as Sunshine Week for the citizens of the State of Florida and stated "The role of Florida's government is to serve the people of Florida and open government gives the people the tools they need to hold their elected officials accountable"; and

WHEREAS, on June 19, 2007, Governor Charlie Crist issued Executive Order 01-107, creating the Commission on Open Government Reform to review, evaluate, and issue recommendations regarding Florida's public records and public meeting laws; and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Open Government will compile its findings and present a final report to the Governor, the Senate President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 31, 2008 to include specific recommendations, including proposed legislation, rule changes and modifications, if any, to Article I, Section 24, of the Florida Constitution; and

WHEREAS, our counties and municipalities live by this law and thereby assure that government business is conducted in the open for all people to see; and

WHEREAS, all Florida government is better served when all elected officials live in the Sunshine.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Lauderhill, Florida:

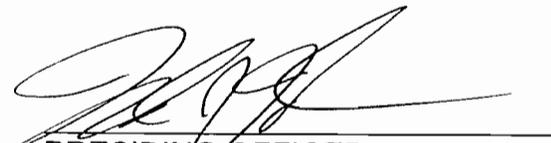
SECTION 1. The City of Lauderhill urges the Commission on Open Government to propose, and that the Governor support, a constitutional attachment that requires state legislators to operate under the same Sunshine Laws under which city officials operate.

SECTION 2. A copy of this resolution be provided to the Chair of the Commission on Open Government, Florida Governor Charlie Crist, the Florida League of Cities, the Miami-Dade League of Cities, the Palm Beach Leagues of Cities, and all municipalities within Broward County.

SECTION 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

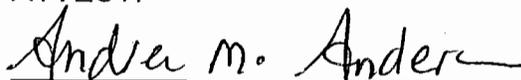
DATED this 24th day of November, 2008.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on first reading this 24th day of November, 2008.



PRESIDING OFFICER

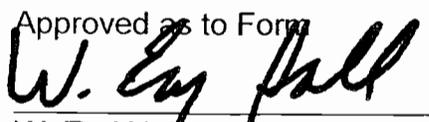
ATTEST:



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| SECOND | <u>Holness</u> |

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| M. BATES | <u>Yes</u> |
| H. BENSON | <u>Yes</u> |
| H. BERGER | <u>Yes</u> |
| D. HOLNESS | <u>Yes</u> |
| R. KAPLAN | <u>Yes</u> |

Approved as to Form


W. Earl Hall
City Attorney