

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(24)

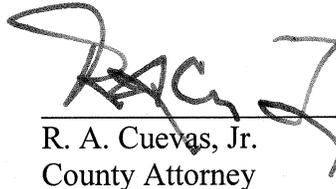
TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: February 17, 2009

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

SUBJECT: Resolution urging the Florida
Legislature not to cut funds
to local service providers who
provide meals and related
services to the elderly

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairman Dennis C. Moss.



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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 Mayor'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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2-17-09

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE NOT
TO CUT FUNDS FOR MEALS AND RELATED SERVICES TO
THE ELDERLY

WHEREAS, the State of Florida through the Department of Elder Affairs is providing \$4.4 million in general revenue local service provider funds in the current fiscal year to Miami-Dade providers, including Miami-Dade County, that provide meals for the elderly and transportation to meal sites to elderly members of our community who are in need; and

WHEREAS, the \$4.4 million in funding was a reduction from \$6 million in funding during the prior fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the County matches state funding with \$1 million in County funding for elder meals for such programs; and

WHEREAS, as part of their budget exercise for possible cuts for the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the Department of Elder Affairs is recommending to the House Healthy Seniors Appropriations Committee that funding to local service providers for elder meal programs be eliminated; and

WHEREAS, should these proposed budget reductions be implemented, it would have devastating affects on the needy elderly in our community, many of whom rely on meal programs for daily survival,

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

Section 1. Urges the Florida Legislature not to cut funds for meals and related services to the elderly.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation, and the Secretary of the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.

Section 3. Directs the County's state lobbyists to against the cuts indicated in Section 1 above, and authorizes and directs that the 2009 State Legislative Package be amended to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Dennis C. Moss. 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:

Dennis C. Moss, Chairman	
Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Audrey M. Edmonson
Carlos A. Gimenez	Sally A. Heyman
Barbara J. Jordan	Joe A. Martinez
Dorin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 17th day of February, 2009. 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