Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: April 7, 2009

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

Agenda Item No. 9(A)(4)

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Subject: Resolution Authorizing Miami-Dade County Corrections to Establish a Deposit Only Account Associated with the Alternative Incarceration Trust Account

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Recommendation
It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve the attached resolution in order to establish a Deposit Only Account with Wachovia Bank in Miami, Florida.

Scope
This resolution only impacts the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source
This resolution does not have any fiscal impact to the department.

Track Record/Monitor
This account will be monitored by the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department (MDCR) Commander, Maxine Harris of the Budget and Finance Bureau.

Background
MDCR is responsible for the supervision of inmates who have been permitted by the judge presiding over their criminal case to participate in Alternative Incarceration programs such as the House Arrest Program, Boot Camp Program and Weekender Program. Currently, program participation fees are received by MDCR staff from program participants and are subsequently deposited in the Miami-Dade County Alternative Incarceration Trust Account at Wachovia Bank in Miami, Florida. These fees help defray the MDCR costs of administering the respective programs and may include percentages of their income, flat fees and can ultimately be waived by a judge for those participants that can not pay or have lost their job. This item modifies the collection process to require program participants or their families to go to any Wachovia Bank branch to deposit the participation fees into the newly established deposit only account themselves.

Deposits will be made directly to the deposit only account and then automatically transferred to the MDCR Alternative Incarceration Trust Account each business day in order to avoid any opportunity for inappropriate actions by program participants. Thus, the deposit only account will maintain a zero balance. MDCR staff consulted with bank representatives and the Finance Department and it was recommended that MDCR establish this new zero balance deposit only account.

The Alternative Incarceration Trust Account is used by MDCR to pay vendor charges for monitoring equipment, to refund supervision fees pursuant to court order, and to transfer funds to revenue accounts. The implementation of this program will enhance internal controls.

Assistant County Manager

MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

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

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FROM: 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 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**

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Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A DEPOSIT ONLY ACCOUNT IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CORRECTIONS ALTERNATIVE INCARCERATION TRUST ACCOUNT

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, the Board hereby authorizes a Deposit Only Account be established, in association with the Miami-Dade County Corrections Alternative Incarceration Trust Account at the Wachovia Bank in Miami, Florida, for the purpose of collecting supervision fees from participants of alternative to incarceration programs.

The foregoing resolution 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
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

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

Robert A. Duvall