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**MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 2(J)

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

**DATE:** May 12, 2009

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution creating a Blue Ribbon  
Advisory Committee for the 2010  
Census

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

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

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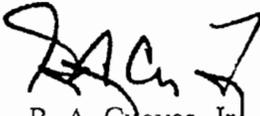
# MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

**DATE:** May 5, 2009

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

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No.

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda Item No.

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

RESOLUTION CREATING A BLUE RIBBON ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE FOR THE 2010 CENSUS

**WHEREAS**, the 2010 Census population totals will determine which states gain or lose representation in Congress and will affect the redistricting of state legislatures, county and city commissions and voting districts; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2010 Census will determine the amount of state and federal funding Miami-Dade County will receive over the course of the next decade; and

**WHEREAS**, those federal monies received based on the individuals counted in a County are used for schools, employment services, housing assistance, roads, services for children and the elderly and many other local needs; and

**WHEREAS**, the full participation of all residents of Miami-Dade County in the Year 2010 Census is extremely important to this community; and

**WHEREAS**, a Blue Ribbon Advisory Committee for the 2010 Census will assist the Board in developing an outreach and awareness campaign in order to insure that the maximum number of Miami-Dade County residents are counted,

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

Section 1. There is hereby created a Blue Ribbon Advisory Committee for the 2010 Census (the "Committee") which shall consist of 32 members, to be selected one by each Commissioner, one by the Mayor, one by the American Farmers Association, one by Centro

Campesino-Farmworker Center, Inc., one by the Mexican-American Council, Inc., one by the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, one by the Miami-Dade School Board, one by Miami-Dade Community College, one by Florida International University, one by the University of Miami, one by Barry University, one by St. Thomas University, one by Florida Memorial University, one by the Black Affairs Board, one by Legal Services of Greater Miami, Inc., one by the Dade County Bar Association, one by the Cuban-American Bar Association, one by the Wilkie D. Ferguson Jr. Bar Association, one by Miami-Dade County's Department of Planning and Zoning, and one by Miami-Dade County's Office of Intergovernmental Affairs.

Section 2. The Committee shall be staffed by the County Manager and the County Clerk.

Section 4. The Committee shall study the results of the 2000 Census and other relevant data in order to determine which neighborhoods, markets, and ethnic, racial, religious, and socio-economic groups had low response rates. The Committee shall also study the 2010 Census process and procedures. The Committee shall prepare and submit to this Board written recommendations on its findings and on the measures that should be taken so that the maximum number of County residents is counted in the 2010 Census. The Committee shall also make recommendations to this Board as to how the County can best educate County residents on the Census process and on how to partner with the media in order to assist with public awareness.

Section 5. All proceedings of the Committee shall be conducted in accordance with the Government in the Sunshine Law (Sec. 286.011, Fla. Stats.) and the Citizens' Bill of Rights of the Miami-Dade County Home Rule Charter. The Committee shall be deemed an "agency" for the purposes of the Public Records Law (Sec. 119, Fla. Stats.).

Section 6. The Committee shall submit its written recommendations to this Board within 90 days of the effective date of this resolution.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Rebeca Sosa. 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:

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| 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 Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 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.

MR

Monica Rizo