



**MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(7)

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

**DATE:** March 2, 2010

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution recognizing Miami-Dade  
Fire Rescue's Urban Search and  
Rescue Team, Florida Task Force 1  
canine teams for their rescue efforts  
in the aftermath of the January 12,  
2010 Haiti earthquake

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan, and Co-Sponsors Vice-Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Commissioner Sally A. Heyman, Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and Senator Javier D. Souto.

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County Attorney

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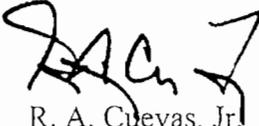
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**Please note any items checked.**

- "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**
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing**
- No committee review**
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_ ) to approve**
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

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3-2-10

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

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MIAMI-DADE FIRE  
RESCUE'S URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM, FLORIDA  
TASK FORCE 1 CANINE TEAMS FOR THEIR RESCUE  
EFFORTS IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE JANUARY 12, 2010  
HAITI EARTHQUAKE

**WHEREAS**, on January 12, 2010 a devastating earthquake hit Haiti, approximately 10 miles southwest of the city of Port-au-Prince, Haiti killing an estimated 200,000 people and leaving hundreds of thousand others homeless; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade Fire Rescue's Urban Search and Rescue Team, Florida Task Force 1 ("M-D USAR"), deployed to Haiti on January 14, 2010 were one of the first responders on the island conducting dozens of successful rescues; and

**WHEREAS**, the M-D USAR team deployed to Haiti included seven canine teams, with each team consisting of a canine and its handler; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of M-D USAR were recognized by Mayor Carlos Alvarez and this Board of February 2, 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, the seven canine teams were instrumental in conducting successful rescues of those trapped by the earthquake; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board seeks to recognize the dedication, commitment and service provided by these seven canine teams,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that Miami-Dade County recognizes the value of the canine teams who participated in the Haitian earthquake rescue effort and hereby award to them the Milk Bones Rescue Award as a token of our appreciation of their courageous dedication to public service.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan, and the Co-Sponsors are Vice-Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Commissioner Sally A. Heyman, Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and Senator Javier D. Souto. 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
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2010. 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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Juliette R. Antoine

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