

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(2)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** April 4, 2011

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging the United States Congress to refrain from reducing funding for the Head Start and Early Head Start Program as part of the U.S. Government's Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Budget

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Vice Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson.

  
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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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4-4-11

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

RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS  
TO REFRAIN FROM REDUCING FUNDING FOR THE HEAD  
START AND EARLY HEAD START PROGRAM AS PART OF  
THE U.S. GOVERNMENT'S FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012  
BUDGET

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County receives annual Head Start and Early Head Start funds administered by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services to provide early childhood services to low-income families; and

**WHEREAS**, the New York Times reported that a \$2 billion cut to the Head Start Program has been proposed in Congress; and

**WHEREAS**, a reduction in Head Start and Early Head Start funds would cause considerable reduction in much-needed services in our community and would only serve to impede potential economic recovery,

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

Section 1. Urges the United States Congress to refrain from reducing funding for the Head Start and Early Head Start Program when considering the nation's budget.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to Members of the Miami-Dade Congressional Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for Congress to refrain from reducing funding as set forth in Section 1 above, and authorizes and directs that the 2011 Federal Legislative Package be amended to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Vice Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson. 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:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman	
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Lynda Bell
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Carlos A. Gimenez
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Rebeca Sosa	Sen. Javier D. Souto

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011. 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.



Estephanie S. Resnik