MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 5(B)

TO:	Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez and Members, Board of County Commissioners	**DATE:**	May 17, 2011
FROM:	R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney	**SUBJECT:**	Resolution co-designating a portion of SW 272nd Avenue as "Air Base Elementary Way"

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

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

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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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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION CO-DESIGNATING SW 272ND STREET, BETWEEN SW 127TH AVENUE AND 132ND AVENUE, AS "AIR BASE ELEMENTARY WAY"

WHEREAS, Air Base Elementary School is a primary school located at 12829 SW 272nd Street in unincorporated Miami-Dade County, and is part of the Miami-Dade County Public Schools System; and

WHEREAS, the school opened its gates in 1958 and the following year, on September 7, 1959, it became one of the first two desegregated schools in the Miami-Dade County Public School System; and

WHEREAS, Air Base Elementary was built to serve children of families at Homestead Air Force Base, but, after Hurricane Andrew damaged the Air Force base in 1992, many Air Force personnel were relocated and the student population dropped; and

WHEREAS, to maintain enrollment, in the 1996-97 school year, the school was converted to a magnet school offering an international program; and

WHEREAS, Air Base Elementary offers extensive foreign language instruction, including English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), Spanish for Spanish speakers, and Spanish and French as second languages; and

WHEREAS, the school has been recognized with many prestigious award and achievements throughout the years, such as being named an "A" school for 9 years straight (2001-2010) and has received the National Award Winning Magnet Program for the past 10 years; and

WHEREAS, over the past the 3 years, the Florida Department of Education has named Air Base Elementary a Five Star School; and

WHEREAS, Air Base Elementary has received the Miami-Dade County Schools Golden Award for the past 23 years, and has been recognized by the City of Homestead as School of Excellence; and

WHEREAS, the school's motto is "Soaring on the Wings of Cultural Discovery," and it celebrates the diversity of its students; and

WHEREAS, throughout the school year, each grade level immerses themselves into a journey around the world and, at the end of their journey, they share their cultural experiences by having a school-wide celebration to educate their classmates; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to recognize the rich history and achievements of Air Base Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, this proposed co-designation is part of Air Base Elementary's 5th grade class's "Legacy Project"; and

WHEREAS, the 5th grade committee took a poll of the 5th graders and, of a list of 5 potential street names, the class chose "Air Base Elementary Way" to be the name of that stretch of SW 272nd Street, between SW 127th Avenue and 132nd Avenue, where the school is located; and

WHEREAS, this proposed co-designation is a county road located in County Commission District 9,

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

Section 1. Having conducted a public hearing, co-designates SW 272nd Street, between 127th Avenue and 132nd Avenue, as "Air Base Elementary Way."

Section 2. The Clerk of the Board is directed to send certified copies of this Resolution to the United States Postal Service, the Traffic Signals and Signs Division of the Public Works Department and Land Development Division of the Public Works Department, the Miami-Dade Police Department, and the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner 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:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman

Bruno A. Barreiro	Lynda Bell
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	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 17th day of May, 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.

Martin W. Sybblis