MEMORANDUM Agenda Item No. 11(A)(13)

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

DATE: September 1, 2011

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the Public Health Trust to study the feasibility of operating a physician and nurse house call service through the use of medically equipped vans

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Senator Javier D. Souto.

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 DIRECTING THE PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF OPERATING A PHYSICIAN AND NURSE HOUSE CALL SERVICE THROUGH THE USE OF MEDICALLY EQUIPPED VANS

WHEREAS, the Public Health Trust of Miami-Dade County ("the Public Health Trust") is currently experiencing a fiscal crisis; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Trust is in need of new ways to generate revenue in order to sustain its mission of providing quality health care to all residents of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, current trends in health care emphasize the provision of primary care; and

WHEREAS, providing a house call service would provide the Public Health Trust with a competitive edge in vying for primary care patients,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the Public Health Trust through its Financial Recovery Board is directed to study the feasibility of creating a twenty-four (24) hours a day/seven (7) days a week physician and nurse house call service, utilizing medically equipped vans that would be stationed at Jackson Memorial Hospital, Jackson North Medical Center, Jackson South Community Hospital and a location in west Miami-Dade County, to provide medical diagnosis and treatment, intravenous infusion of antibiotics and other medicines, and other medical and nursing care to homebound patients or patients who find it difficult to visit a medical facility; and the Public Health Trust through its Financial Recovery Board is directed to report on the feasibility of creating this house call service to the Public

Safety and Healthcare Administration Committee within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this resolution.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is 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:

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

Bruno A. Barreiro	Lynda Bell
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Rebeca Sosa	Sen. Javier D. Souto
Xavier L. Suarez	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 1st day of September, 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. KMC for

Karon M. Coleman