

## MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 5(I)

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

**DATE:** December 6, 2011

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving naming  
of recreation center at Tropical  
Park, located at 7900 SW 40  
Street, as the "Mary Abreu  
Community Center"

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

  
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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

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Veto \_\_\_\_\_

12-6-11

Override \_\_\_\_\_

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

RESOLUTION APPROVING NAMING OF RECREATION  
CENTER AT TROPICAL PARK, LOCATED AT 7900 SW 40  
STREET, AS THE "MARY ABREU COMMUNITY CENTER"  
AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING

**WHEREAS**, in 1989, Mary Abreu began her career with the Park and Recreation Department by working at McMillan Park, where she developed the very successful Tiny Tots program for younger children; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1994, Mary was promoted to Park and Recreation Manager 1 and assisted in the oversight of Amelia Earhart and Norman and Jean Reach Parks in North Dade; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1996, Mary was promoted to Park and Recreation Manager 2 at Tropical Park and was second in command of the park, managing the maintenance crews, softball operations and stadium; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2001, Mary was promoted to Administrative Officer 3 in the Office of Assistant Director of Operations, where her ability to function at a high level led to her promotion to Special Projects Administrator 1; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2007, Mary joined the Director's Office, assisting with the overall operation of the Department, both operationally and administratively; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2010, Mary was promoted to Intergovernmental Affairs Coordinator, reporting directly to the Director and responsible for all agenda items involving the Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Mary consistently proved herself through her abilities and commitment to this organization and to the people she worked with. Her love of people and her dedication to providing a positive impact to the lives of residents in our community through parks was evident in the many partnerships and relationships she built with the community and within the county, and she was a direct contributor to the Department's success; and

**WHEREAS**, despite her own medical condition and courageous struggle, Mary Abreu's determination and dedication to the Park and Recreation Department and her colleagues was relentless; and

**WHEREAS**, Mary Abreu, our beloved friend and colleague, passed away on October 31, 2011, after a long battle with cancer,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board, after a public hearing, desires to honor her memory and contributions by naming the recreation center at Tropical Park as the "Mary Abreu Community Center."

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Sen. 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:

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| 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 6<sup>th</sup> day  
of December, 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.

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