

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(4)

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

DATE: November 8, 2012

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

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing and
directing the Mayor to
immediately allow County
employees to contribute leave
time to the County's Emergency
Disaster Relief Fund

In light of the urgency associated with the Hurricane Sandy donations authorized by this resolution, the sponsoring Commissioner has requested that the resolution become effective upon the earlier of: (1) 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, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz.



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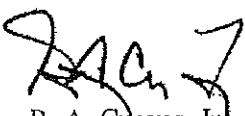


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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "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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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO IMMEDIATELY ALLOW COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO CONTRIBUTE LEAVE TIME TO THE COUNTY'S EMERGENCY DISASTER RELIEF FUND ESTABLISHED BY RESOLUTION R-1071-05 FOR THE PURPOSE OF DONATING THE VALUE OF LEAVE TIME TO HURRICANE SANDY RELIEF EFFORTS; DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EVALUATE OPTIONS AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS AT THE DECEMBER 4, 2012 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S WHERE THE BOARD INTENDS TO SELECT THE RECIPIENT(S)

WHEREAS, on Monday October 29, 2012, Hurricane Sandy brought devastating weather conditions to the eastern United States resulting in the loss of life, property and a major disruption to millions of lives; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the devastation wrought by Hurricane Sandy, the President of the United States, governors, mayors and local government officials have issued emergency declarations for most of the eastern United States; and

WHEREAS, many residents of Miami-Dade County have family members, friends and business relationships with areas impacted by Hurricane Sandy such that the social, cultural and economic life of Miami-Dade County is inextricably intertwined with the lives of those impacted by Hurricane Sandy; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County has previously adopted resolutions to assist other communities devastated by natural disasters including communities in Texas, Louisiana, and the Caribbean [*e.g.*, Resolution numbers R-1031-07, R-972-08, R-1103-08, and R-01-10]; and

WHEREAS, to provide a mechanism for providing assistance to other communities, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution Number R-1071-05 for the purpose of establishing an Emergency Disaster Relief Fund so that County employees could contribute earned annual and holiday leave time to benefit victims of natural disasters and in rebuilding communities affected by natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, generous County employees took advantage of the fund established by Resolution Number R-1071-05 and contributed their earned holiday and annual leave to the American Red Cross Hurricane Katrina relief fund and to victims of the Earthquake in Haiti in 2010,

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

Section 1. This Board hereby authorizes and directs the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to immediately allow the donation by County employees of earned annual and holiday leave time to the County's Emergency Disaster Relief Fund authorized by Resolution Number R-1071-05 for the purpose of donating the value of those annual and holiday leave hours up to a limit of \$250,000.

Section 2. The County Mayor or Mayor's designee shall publicize and make available forms for employees to complete in order to authorize such earned annual and holiday leave contributions. The authorization forms to be distributed by the County Mayor or Mayor's designee shall include a statement that the Board of County Commissioners has approved contributions of annual and holiday leave time for the purpose of Hurricane Sandy relief efforts.

Section 3. This Board directs the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to evaluate options for the donation of the value accumulated in the County's Emergency Disaster Relief Fund for Hurricane Sandy relief efforts to determine an effective vehicle for impacting the most hard-hit underserved communities ravaged by Hurricane Sandy, and to present the Mayor's recommendation at the December 4, 2012 Board of County Commissioner's meeting where the Board intends to select the recipient(s) of the County's Disaster Relief Fund for Hurricane Sandy relief efforts.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz. 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 8th day of November, 2012. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of: (1) 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, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the 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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Eric A. Rodriguez

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