

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 3(A)(1)


TO: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: December 17, 2013

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

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the City of
North Miami codesignation of
NE 121st Street from North
Bayshore Drive to NE 122nd
Road as "Rabbi Jory Lang Way"

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Sally A. Heyman.



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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 Mayor'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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12-17-13

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI
CODESIGNATION OF NE 121ST STREET FROM NORTH
BAYSHORE DRIVE TO NE 122ND ROAD AS "RABBI JORY
LANG WAY"**

WHEREAS, on October 22, 2013 the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami adopted Resolution No. R-2013-127, which codesignated NE 121st Street from North Bayshore Drive to NE 122nd Road as "Rabbi Jory Lang Way" or "Rabbi Jory Lang Street," in recognition of the contributions of Rabbi Lang to the City of North Miami, a copy of which is attached and incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Dr. Jory Lang has served as spiritual leader of Beth Moshe Congregation in North Miami since 1989; and

WHEREAS, prior to serving at Beth Moshe Congregation, Rabbi Lang served the Beth El Congregation of North Bay Village and was the Executive Director of the Talmudic University of Florida, the largest Yeshiva in the southeastern United States; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Lang earned a B.A. in Religious Studies from the University of Miami, an M.A. in Judaic Studies from Barry University, an M.A. in Talmudic Studies from the Talmudic University of Florida, a Doctorate in Pastoral Counseling from Sinai University in Jerusalem, and a Doctor of Ministry from the Florida Center for Theological Studies; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Lang is the founder and President of the Chessed Foundation, a well-respected charitable organization that provides pastoral counseling, group therapy, medical assistance, food and funds for those in need; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Lang is also a founding member of MORISHA, the rabbinic fellowship of the Union for traditional Judaism; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Lang served as the first Chaplain for the City of North Miami Police Department, and was the first Rabbi in 70 years to serve two consecutive terms as the President of the Rabbinic Association of South Florida; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Lang was named by the United Jewish Community (UJC) General Assembly as one of the top 25 Rabbis who has made a significant impact in his or her community and across North America; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Lang recently received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the North Miami Mayor's Committee; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Lang continues to serve the Beth Moshe Congregation and the surrounding community in North Miami; and

WHEREAS, this Board would like to honor Rabbi Dr. Jory Lang by approving this codesignation; and

WHEREAS, NE 121st Street from North Bayshore Drive to NE 122nd Road is a city street located in the City of North Miami; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Miami wants the County to install signage indicating this codesignation on County street signs and traffic signal masts arms; and

WHEREAS, this codesignation is located in County Commission District 4,

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

Section 1. Approves the City of North Miami codesignation of NE 121st Street from North Bayshore Drive to NE 122nd Road as "Rabbi Jory Lang Way."

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to send certified copies of this Resolution to the City Manager of the City of North Miami, the City of North Miami Police Department, the United States Postal Service, the Miami-Dade County Fire-Rescue Department, the Traffic Signals and Signs Division of the Public Works and Waste Management Department, and the Development Services Division of the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Sally A. Heyman. 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:

Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman

Lynda Bell, Vice Chair

Bruno A. Barreiro

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Sally A. Heyman

Jean Monestime

Sen. Javier D. Souto

Juan C. Zapata

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.

Audrey M. Edmonson

Barbara J. Jordan

Dennis C. Moss

Xavier L. Suarez

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 17th day of December, 2013. 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.

MSM

Michael J. Mastrucci

RESOLUTION NO. R-2013-127

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING NE 121ST STREET BETWEEN NORTH BAYSHORE DRIVE AND 122ND ROAD TO BE KNOWN AS "RABBI JORY LANG WAY", OR "RABBI JORY LANG STREET"; IN ACCORDANCE WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY STREET DESIGNATION RULES; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ALLOCATE AND EXPEND THE NECESSARY FUNDS TO COVER THE COSTS FOR SIGNAGE, AND DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE DESIGNATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Rabbi Dr. Jory Lang has served as spiritual leader of Beth Moshe Congregation in North Miami since 1989; and

WHEREAS, he completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Miami, his graduate work at Barry University (M.A. in Jewish Studies), and his post graduate studies at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Lang is the founder and president of the Chessed Foundation, a well-respected charitable organization that provides pastoral counseling, group therapy, medical assistance, food and funds for those in need; and

WHEREAS, the Chessed Foundation was able to purchase 100 turkeys for North Miami residents during Thanksgiving last year; and

WHEREAS, Beth Moshe Congregation and Rabbi Lang have hosted many North Miami city events, forums, lectures, lunches, and candidate meet and greets with the purpose of helping the city unify its diverse population; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Lang served as the first Chaplain for the City of North Miami Police Department and as the first Rabbi, in seventy (70) years, to serve two (2) consecutive terms as the President of the Rabbinic Association of South Florida; and

WHEREAS, Rabbi Lang has been a good friend and neighbor to the residents of the City of North Miami for twenty-five (25) years.


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Approval of Street Designation. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby designate NE 121st Street between North Bayshore Drive and 122nd Road to be known as "RABBI JORY LANG WAY", or "RABBI JORY LANG STREET."

Section 2. Authorization of City Manager. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida hereby authorize the City Manager to allocate and expend the necessary funds to cover the costs for signage, and do all things necessary to effectuate the designation.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a 4-0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 22 day of October, 2013.


LUCIE M. TONDREAU
MAYOR

ATTEST:


MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:


REGINALD M. MONESTIME
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Moved by: Councilwoman Keys

Seconded by: Mayor Tondreau