

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 8(I)(3)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** October 5, 2016

**FROM:** Abigail Price-Williams  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution authorizing the  
Director of the Miami-Dade  
Police Department to gift former  
Officers Harry Burkli and Janine  
Robinson Honor Guard  
revolvers in recognition of their  
distinguished and dedicated  
service to the Miami-Dade  
Police Department Honor Guard

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The accompanying resolution was prepared by the Miami-Dade Police Department and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan.

  
Abigail Price-Williams  
County Attorney

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**FROM:** Carlos A. Gimenez  
Mayor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carlos A. Gimenez", written over a horizontal line.

**SUBJECT:** Resolution Approving Gift of Honor Guard Revolver to Former Officers Harry Burkli and Janine Robinson in Recognition of their Dedicated Service to the Miami-Dade Police Department Honor Guard

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## **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve gifting former Officers Harry Burkli and Janine Robinson Honor Guard revolvers in recognition of their dedicated service to the Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD) Honor Guard.

## **Scope**

This resolution will authorize the MDPD to present Honor Guard revolvers to former Officers Harry Burkli and Janine Robinson in recognition of their dedicated service to the MDPD Honor Guard.

## **Delegation of Authority**

The MDPD Director or his designee will present each of these officers with the gift of an Honor Guard revolver in recognition of their service to the MDPD Honor Guard.

## **Fiscal Impact/Funding Source**

The revolvers have been removed from service pending this request. The replacement cost for an Honor Guard revolver is approximately \$450.00 each, for a total cost of approximately \$900.00. Funding will be drawn from the general fund.

## **Track Record/Monitor**

Raul Ubieta, Major of the Miami-Dade Police Department's Public Safety Training Institute, will implement the action in this resolution.

## **Background**

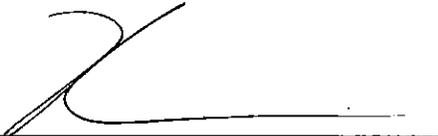
Officers Harry Burkli and Janine Robinson are considered for this honor due to their exemplary performance and dedicated service to the Honor Guard. The Honor Guard is a volunteer position and officers are selected based on an officer's dedication to duty and performance record. Both former Officers Burkli and Robinson served as distinguished members of the MDPD Honor Guard and represented Miami-Dade County at dozens of special events, ceremonies, memorial services for fallen officers in this community, and around the State. Most notably, they honored MDPD's fallen officers, Jose Somohano, Roger Castillo, and Amanda Haworth.

Officer Burkli concluded his MDPD career and service to the Honor Guard after sustaining life threatening injuries while on duty. On March 14, 2012, after 27 years of service to the MDPD, Officer Burkli was dispatched to a call involving an overturned vehicle and was himself involved in an accident while on route to the scene. Officer Burkli was airlifted to Jackson Memorial

Hospital and, while he was able to recover from his injuries, the date of the accident was effectively his last day of service to the MDPD. Officer Robinson also served the Honor Guard with distinction, and concluded her career with the MDPD on July 25, 2014, after 12 years of service, when she was hired by the Office of the General Counsel of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

This request is made in recognition of these two former MDPD Officers and their distinguished service to the MDPD Honor Guard.

In accordance with Section 112.193(2) of the Florida Statutes, a law enforcement agency may present an officer who retires under any state or municipal retirement system with their service handgun. There is no prohibition in the Florida Statutes to presenting an Honor Guard revolver as a gift to retired officers who served in the Honor Guard.



Russell Benford  
Deputy Mayor



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(Revised)

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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**
- Statement of social equity 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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10-5-16

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

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OR THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE OF THE MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO GIFT FORMER OFFICERS HARRY BURKLI AND JANINE ROBINSON HONOR GUARD REVOLVERS IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR DISTINGUISHED AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT HONOR GUARD

**WHEREAS**, Officers Harry Burkli and Janine Robinson served the Miami-Dade Police Department ("Department") Honor Guard with dedication to excellence and exemplary performance; and

**WHEREAS**, this recognition is provided in recognition of their distinguished and dedicated Honor Guard service to the Department and the community at dozens of special events, ceremonies, memorial services for fallen officers in this community and around the State, and most notably, in honoring our officers, Jose Somohano, Roger Castillo, and Amanda Haworth; and

**WHEREAS**, this recognition serves a public purpose by highlighting two exemplars of the dedicated officers of the Miami-Dade Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 112.193(2), Florida Statutes, authorizes each employer that employs or appoints law enforcement, correctional, or correctional probation officers to present to each such employee who retires under any provision of a state or municipal retirement system, including medical disability retirement, or who is eligible to retire under any such provision, but, instead, resigns from one employer to accept an elected public office, one complete uniform including the badge worn by that officer, the officer's service handgun, if one was issued as part of the officer's equipment, and an identification card clearly marked "RETIRED"; and

**WHEREAS**, Officer Burkli served the Honor Guard with distinction, and concluded his MDPD career in 2012, after 27 years of service to the MDPD, and Officer Janine Robinson, who also served the Honor Guard with distinction and concluded her career with the MDPD on July 25, 2014, after 12 years of service to the MDPD, when hired by the Office of the General Counsel of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board wishes to honor Officers Harry Burkli and Janine Robinson for their service with the gift of an Honor Guard revolver,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board authorizes the Director of the Miami-Dade Police Department or his designee to give former Officers Harry Burkli and Janine Robinson Honor Guard revolvers in recognition of their service to the Miami-Dade Police Department Honor Guard, specifically for Officer Burkli, Smith & Wesson Model 64, Serial Number AJZ 1938, and for Officer Robinson, Smith & Wesson also Model 64, Serial number AUA-8990, in gratitude for their exemplary performance and distinguished service to the Miami-Dade Police Department and the residents of Miami-Dade County.

The foregoing resolution 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:

Jean Monestime, Chairman	
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dennis C. Moss	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	Xavier L. Suarez
Juan C. Zapata	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County 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.

MP

Matthew Papkin