MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(15)

TO:	Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime and Members, Board of County Commissioners	**DATE:**	September 7, 2016
FROM:	Abigail Price-Williams County Attorney	**SUBJECT:**	Resolution urging the United States Congress and the Florida Legislature to allocate funding for economic recovery packages to help the Wynwood business sector recover from the effects of Zika, as well as to reimburse Miami-Dade County for the funds expended and expected to be expended on mosquito control and outreach and education efforts; preliminarily identifying this item as a critical priority for the 2017 federal and state legislative sessions

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairman Jean Monestime.

Abigail Price-Williams
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**

_____ **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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9-7-16

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AND THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ALLOCATE FUNDING FOR ECONOMIC RECOVERY PACKAGES TO HELP THE WYNWOOD BUSINESS SECTOR RECOVER FROM THE EFFECTS OF ZIKA, AS WELL AS TO REIMBURSE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE FUNDS EXPENDED AND EXPECTED TO BE EXPENDED ON MOSQUITO CONTROL AND OUTREACH AND EDUCATION EFFORTS; PRELIMINARILY IDENTIFYING THIS ITEM AS A CRITICAL PRIORITY FOR THE 2017 FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County's Wynwood Arts District's restaurants, galleries, and retailers are suffering from an economic blow in the midst of the local Zika virus transmissions and travel advisory issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

WHEREAS, as of August 10, 2016, the Wynwood Business Improvement District reported that Wynwood's economy has seen approximately a 50 to 75 percent drop in revenues; and

WHEREAS, on August 9, 2016, at the Board of County Commissioner's Sunshine Meeting regarding Zika control and prevention, Miami-Dade County Mayor stated he intended to request economic recovery packages from the federal and state governments to help Wynwood's business sector recover from the effects of the Zika virus fears, as well as funding to reimburse Miami-Dade County for the moneys expended on mosquito control; and

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2016, the Mayor wrote a letter to the Governor requesting state funding for economic recovery packages for Wynwood businesses, as well as reimbursement for the funds Miami-Dade County is spending on mosquito control operations and outreach and education efforts; and

WHEREAS, as of August 16, 2016, there have been 28 non-travel cases of the Zika virus coming out of a one-square-mile area in Wynwood; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County is spending an estimated $6 million on aerial spraying, ground spraying, and outreach and education efforts, including the distribution of insect repellants, almost four times the amount for which the County originally budgeted for fiscal year 2016; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County intends to continue to spend the necessary resources in order to protect the public health and safety of its residents and those who visit our community; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to express the importance of securing federal and state funding for disbursement of economic recovery packages to help Wynwood's business sector and for reimbursement of the funds Miami-Dade County has been and will continue to spend on mosquito control and outreach and education efforts,

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

Section 1. Urges the United States Congress and the Florida Legislature to allocate funding for economic recovery packages to help the Wynwood business sector recover from the effects of Zika, as well as to reimburse Miami-Dade County for the funds expended and expected to be expended on mosquito control and outreach and education efforts.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of this Board to send a certified copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, Members of the Florida Congressional Delegation, the Governor, the Senate President, the House Speaker, and the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's federal and state lobbyists to advocate for the funding set forth in Section 1 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2017 Federal and State Legislative Packages when they are presented to the Board and to preliminarily identify this item as a critical priority when the Board determines priorities for the 2017 federal and state legislative sessions as provided in Resolution No. R-764-13.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Jean Monestime. 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:

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 7th day of September, 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.

Annery Pulgar Alfonso
Matthew Papkin