MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 5(C)

TO:	Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime and Members, Board of County Commissioners	**DATE:**	November 1, 2016
FROM:	Abigail Price-Williams County Attorney	**SUBJECT:**	Resolution codesignating that portion of SW 157th Avenue between SW 136th Street and SW 152nd Street as "Mas Canosa Paladin Avenue"

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Juan C. Zapata.

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**

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Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION CODESIGNATING THAT PORTION OF SW 157TH AVENUE BETWEEN SW 136TH STREET AND SW 152ND STREET AS "MAS CANOSA PALADIN AVENUE"

WHEREAS, Jorge Mas Canosa, a respected political activist and entrepreneur, was born in Santiago de Cuba, Cuba in 1939; and

WHEREAS, he fled Cuba in 1960 and became a life-long Miami resident; and

WHEREAS, on November 23, 1997, Mas Canosa passed away; and

WHEREAS, Mas Canosa worked for Iglesias y Torres, a Miami construction company and contractor of telephone services and in time became a partner; and

WHEREAS, he bought the company in 1969, whose name he translated to Church and Tower, and soon broadened his commercial holdings, becoming the chairman of the telecommunications engineering firm MasTec, Inc., and of Neff Machinery, a distributor of construction equipment; and

WHEREAS, Mas Canosa was a leading figure in South Florida engineering and construction, he served as the director of the Latin Builders Association and the Hispanic American Builders Association and was an active member of the Industrial Association of Dade County and the Latin Chamber of Commerce in Miami; and

WHEREAS, Mas Canosa was also an activist dedicated to advancing freedom and democracy and was instrumental in founding Radio Marti, the station broadcasting news into Cuba; and

WHEREAS, Mas Canosa's commitment to the fight for the protection of human rights lived on after his passing; and

WHEREAS, following his wishes, Mas Canosa's family and the Cuban American National Foundation established the Jorge Mas Canosa Freedom Foundation which devotes its efforts to advancing and preserving Mas Canosa's legacy of love of God, family and homeland, the dignity of human life, the ideals of freedom and democracy, and the education of future generations; and

WHEREAS, Jorge Mas Canosa Middle School located at 15735 SW 144th Street in Miami-Dade County was named after Mas Canosa; and

WHEREAS, Jorge Mas Canosa Middle School's mascot is a paladin which represents a knightly champion committed to public service and the protection of civility and order in education; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2011, this Board adopted Resolution No. R-403-11, which codesignated SW 144th Street between SW 157th Avenue and SW 162nd Avenue as "Paladin Way"; and

WHEREAS, to honor the memory of Jorge Mas Canosa and his contributions to the community, this Board would like to codesignate SW 157th Avenue between SW 136th Street and SW 152nd Street as "Mas Canosa Paladin Avenue"; and

WHEREAS, SW 157th Avenue between SW 136th Street and SW 152nd Street is a County road located in unincorporated Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, this proposed codesignation is located in County Commission District 11,

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

Section 1. Having considered this matter at a public hearing, codesignates SW 157th Avenue between SW 136th Street and SW 152nd Street as "Mas Canosa Paladin Avenue".

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the United States Postal Service, the Traffic Signals and Signs Division of the Miami-Dade Department of Transportation and Public Works, the Development Services Division of the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department, the Miami-Dade County Police Department, and the Miami-Dade County Fire Rescue Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Juan C. Zapata. 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 1st day of November, 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