

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(19)

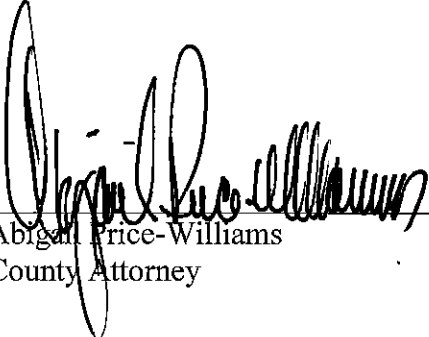
TO: Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: March 7, 2017

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging President
Donald Trump and the United
States Congress to support and
enact comprehensive
immigration reform during the
115th congress

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.



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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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3-7-17

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION URGING PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP AND
THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO SUPPORT AND
ENACT COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM
DURING THE 115TH CONGRESS

WHEREAS, the United States has long prided itself as being a nation of immigrants; and

WHEREAS, currently, there are an estimated 11.2 million undocumented immigrants living in the United States; and

WHEREAS, a majority of Americans favor comprehensive immigration reform including, in some form, a pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants currently living and working in the United States who have not committed a serious crime; and

WHEREAS, over the last decade, a number of congressional efforts to pass comprehensive immigration reform bills have come close to passing but have fallen short; and

WHEREAS, bipartisan comprehensive immigration reform bills have passed in the U.S. Senate in 2006 and 2013, but both bills ultimately died during their respective congressional sessions; and

WHEREAS, advocates that support comprehensive immigration reform include a broad range of groups across a wide spectrum of political views, including religious leaders, business executives, and civil liberty groups alike; and

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2012, this Board adopted Resolution No. R-1084-12, which urged the President and the U.S. Congress to support and enact comprehensive immigration reform during the 113th Congress; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2013, this Board also adopted Resolution No. R-184-13, which expanded the scope of issues and the elements of reform which this Board supported; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-184-13 adopted the immigration reform platform espoused by the Partnership for a New American Economy, a bipartisan group of mayors, elected officials, and business leaders from all sectors of the economy; and

WHEREAS, this Board would also like to indicate its support for immigration reform proposals that facilitate family reunification and end the separation of law-abiding families; and

WHEREAS, this Board is especially supportive of immigration reform measures which provide a pathway to citizenship for law-abiding undocumented immigrants as well as for "Dreamers," a group of nearly two million immigrants who were brought into the country illegally as children,

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

Section 1. Urges President Donald Trump and the United States Congress to support and enact comprehensive immigration reform during the 115th Congress which will provide a pathway for undocumented, but law-abiding immigrants already in the United States to gain citizenship.

Section 2. Supports immigration reform proposals that facilitate family reunification, as well as ensuring a pathway to citizenship for Dreamers.

Section 3. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to President Donald Trump, the Members of the Florida Congressional Delegation, and the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

Section 4. Directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for the action set forth in Sections 1 and 2 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2017 Federal Legislative Package.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Rebeca Sosa. 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:

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Chairman	
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Sally A. Heyman
Barbara J. Jordan	Joe A. Martinez
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 7th day of February, 2017. 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.

Javier Zapata

