

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(6)

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

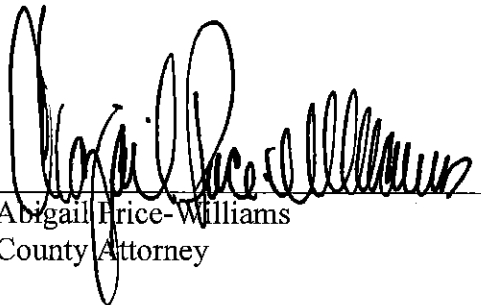
**DATE:** June 6, 2017

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution supporting the  
Biscayne Bay Marine Health  
Summit in concept and directing  
the Mayor to provide speakers  
for the summit, as appropriate  
and feasible

**This item was amended at the 5-10-17 Parks and Cultural Affairs Committee to change a reference from a "25-year plan" to a "10-year plan." This plan was listed as one of the goals of the Biscayne Bay Marine Health Summit.**

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava, and Co-Sponsors Commissioner Jean Monestime and Senator Javier D. Souto.



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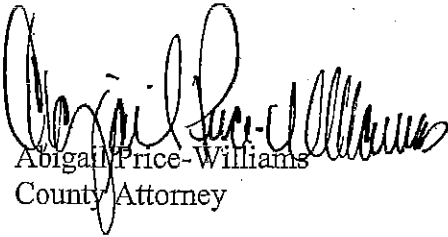
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Please note any items checked.

- "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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6-6-17

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

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE BISCAYNE BAY MARINE  
HEALTH SUMMIT IN CONCEPT AND DIRECTING THE  
MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE SPEAKERS  
FOR THE SUMMIT, AS APPROPRIATE AND FEASIBLE

**WHEREAS**, Biscayne Bay is located in Miami-Dade County and has immense value to the community because of its natural beauty, recreational opportunities, and environmental significance; and

**WHEREAS**, Biscayne Bay provides habitat and nursery grounds for important commercial and recreational fish, shellfish, and crustaceans, in addition to providing refuge to threatened and endangered species; and

**WHEREAS**, Biscayne Bay is contained in part within Biscayne National Park, which protects part of the third-largest coral reef system in the world and the longest remaining stretch of mangrove forest on the east coast of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Florida has also recognized that Biscayne Bay deserves special protection, and parts of Biscayne Bay are protected as State of Florida Aquatic Preserves and Outstanding Florida Waters; and

**WHEREAS**, the water quality and ecological balance of Biscayne Bay are important issues that may have effects on human health, the health of the environment, and the local economy; and

**WHEREAS**, chemical and nutrient pollution, as well as marine debris in Biscayne Bay, poses a threat to aquatic life in Biscayne Bay and in the oceans in general; and

**WHEREAS**, as such, it is essential to address the various important issues related to Biscayne Bay in order to assure the future health of Biscayne Bay and protect valuable environmental resources so that future generations may enjoy the health, recreational, environmental, and economic benefits that can result from a healthy and debris-free Biscayne Bay; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County has a long record of accomplishments through programs like spoil island restoration, bay bottom restoration, shoreline erosion control, and public education and participation events like Baynanza, which celebrates its 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year; and

**WHEREAS**, many of these successful programs came from community collaborations, starting with the Biscayne Bay Committee and Management Plan in the 1970s and the Biscayne Bay Partnership Initiative in the 2000s; and

**WHEREAS**, these previous community collaborations led to significant progress in reversing the decline of Biscayne Bay through innovative programs to restore and stabilize shoreline habitat and through comprehensive reports like the Biscayne Bay Partnership's 2001 report "One Bright, Great Bay"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Biscayne Bay Coalition Partners are following on this important work by gathering a broad coalition of academic, government, and civic organizations and individuals, and are currently organizing a Biscayne Bay Marine Health Summit, to be held in June 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the goals of this Biscayne Bay Marine Health Summit may include promoting Biscayne Bay health-related initiatives; encouraging partnerships to support the health of Biscayne Bay; involving all stakeholders; and developing a >>10<<[[25]]<sup>1</sup>-year plan to ensure the sustainable health of Biscayne Bay; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board wishes to support this Biscayne Bay Marine Health Summit in concept and directs the Mayor or Mayor's designee to provide speakers from Miami-Dade County for the Summit, as appropriate and feasible,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board hereby expresses its support in concept for the Biscayne Bay Marine Health Summit, which is planned to be held in June 2017, and directs the Mayor or Mayor's designee to provide speakers from Miami-Dade County for the Summit, as appropriate and feasible.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava, and the Co-Sponsors are Commissioner Jean Monestime and Senator Javier D. Souto. 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	

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<sup>1</sup> Committee amendments are indicated as follows: Words stricken through and/or [[double bracketed]] are deleted, words underscored and/or >>double arrowed<< are added.

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of the letters 'ASR' in a stylized, cursive font, enclosed within a hand-drawn circle.

Abbie Schwaderer-Raurell