

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(16)

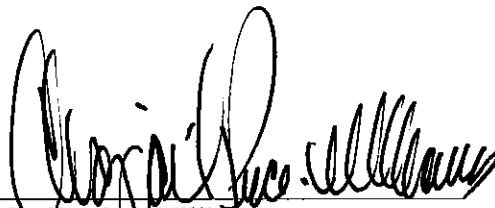
**TO:** Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** July 10, 2018

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution supporting S.2975, the "Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019," or similar legislation pending before, or filed for consideration in, the 115th United States Congress that would appropriate funding for critical Florida environmental and infrastructure projects administered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz.



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County Attorney

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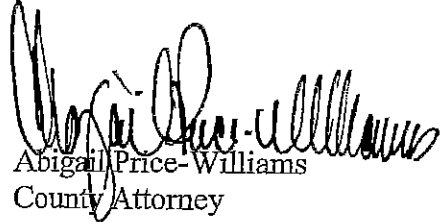


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Please note any items checked.

- "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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7-10-18

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

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING S.2975, THE “ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2019,” OR SIMILAR LEGISLATION PENDING BEFORE, OR FILED FOR CONSIDERATION IN, THE 115TH UNITED STATES CONGRESS THAT WOULD APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR CRITICAL FLORIDA ENVIRONMENTAL AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS ADMINISTERED BY THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

**WHEREAS**, S.2975, the “Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019,” has been introduced in the 115th Congress by U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander (R – Tennessee); and

**WHEREAS**, the “Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019” would appropriate funding for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, among other projects, the bill would appropriate funding to several projects of critical importance to the State of Florida, and to Miami-Dade County in particular; and

**WHEREAS**, to further Florida Everglades restoration efforts, the “Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019” would include the following appropriations:

- full funding of \$67 million for the Herbert Hoover Dike Rehabilitation project at Lake Okeechobee;
- up to \$45 million to the U.S Army Corps of Engineers for discretionary spending to operate, maintain, and repair key Florida Everglades restoration infrastructure; and

- up to \$50 million to the U.S Army Corps of Engineers for discretionary spending to advance critical construction for the South Florida Ecosystem Restoration project; and

**WHEREAS**, the bill would additionally include significant appropriations for beach renourishment (up to \$50 million), shoreline protection, environmental infrastructure, and intracoastal and inland waterways maintenance; and

**WHEREAS**, the bill would also appropriate \$6.07 million, plus additional donor port funding, to PortMiami for the operation and maintenance of infrastructure in support of waterborne trade and commerce; and

**WHEREAS**, many of these key provisions were advanced with the assistance of U.S. Senator Marco Rubio (R – Florida), who is a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee that recently approved the legislation; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Rubio has stated that he “joined the [Senate] Appropriations Committee to ensure the Senate adequately funds the Florida projects in this bill, including the Herbert Hoover Dike Rehabilitation, Everglades restoration, and water quality improvement programs in the Keys and Charlotte Harbor”; and

**WHEREAS**, the “Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019,” if enacted, could benefit Miami-Dade County’s critical environmental and economic interests; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board now wishes to support the proposed legislation,

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

**Section 1.** Supports S.2975, the “Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019,” or similar legislation pending before, or filed for consideration in, the 115th United States Congress that would appropriate funding for critical Florida environmental and infrastructure projects administered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

**Section 2.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit certified copies of this resolution to U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander and the members of the Florida Congressional Delegation.

**Section 3.** Directs the County’s federal lobbyists to advocate for the legislation described in Section 1 above, and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2018 Federal Legislative Package when it is presented to the Board.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz. 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	
Daniella Levine Cava	Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Sally A. Heyman	Eileen Higgins
Barbara J. Jordan	Joe A. Martinez
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Rebeca Sosa	Sen. Javier D. Souto
Xavier L. Suarez	

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018. 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.

James Eddie Kirtley

