## **MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(20)

TO:

Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

April 7, 2020

FROM:

Abigail Price-Williams

County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** 

Resolution supporting the activation by Governor Ron Desantis of the emergency business damage assessment survey for coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); urging local businesses to complete the survey; and directing the County Mayor to (1) use available County resources to make businesses aware of the survey, distribute the survey countywide, and encourage businesses to complete the survey, (2) work with the appropriate state officials to obtain the results of the survey for local businesses, (3) disaggregate the data based on County Commission Districts, (4) provide District specific data to each Commissioner, and (5) prepare a report

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava.

County Attorney

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Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No. 11(A)(20)
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SUPPORTING RESOLUTION THE **ACTIVATION** BY GOVERNOR RON DESANTIS OF THE EMERGENCY BUSINESS **DAMAGE ASSESSMENT** SURVEY CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19); URGING LOCAL BUSINESSES TO **COMPLETE** THE SURVEY; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO (1) USE AVAILABLE COUNTY RESOURCES TO MAKE BUSINESSES AWARE OF THE SURVEY, DISTRIBUTE SURVEY THE COUNTYWIDE. ENCOURAGE BUSINESSES TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY, (2) WORK WITH THE APPROPRIATE STATE OFFICIALS TO OBTAIN THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES, (3) DISAGGREGATE THE DATA BASED ON COUNTY COMMISSION DISTRICTS, (4) PROVIDE DISTRICT SPECIFIC DATA TO EACH COMMISSIONER, AND (5) PREPARE A REPORT

WHEREAS, a new coronavirus, known as SARS-CoV-2, causes an infectious disease named coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) that has spread rapidly since its initial identification in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China, in January 2020; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization ("WHO") declared the outbreak a "public health emergency of international concern"; and

WHEREAS, it has been reported that worldwide, cases of COVID-19, as well as mortalities from it, are increasing by the day; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 20-51 in response to COVID-19, directing the State Health Officer and Surgeon General to declare a public health emergency in the state of Florida and directing the State Health Officer to take any action necessary to protect the public health and to follow guidelines established by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") to control the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 20-52, declaring a state of emergency in the state of Florida, designating the Director of the Division of Emergency Management as the State Coordinating Officer for the duration of the emergency, and delegating the State Coordinating Officer with the authority to exercise the powers delineated in  $\S\S 252.36(5) - (10)$ , Florida Statutes, as needed to meet the emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, given the rapid spread and severity of the virus, the WHO declared COVID-19 a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez declared a local state of emergency for Miami-Dade County invoking his authority to issue orders to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the community, including possibly imposing a curfew and closing certain businesses; and

WHEREAS, on a daily basis, the Florida Department of Health is reporting increases in confirmed cases of Florida residents with COVID-19 and in deaths from COVID-19 in Florida; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to reduce the possibility of mass exposure in Florida, Walt Disney World and Universal Studios announced closures through the end of the month, schools and universities have temporarily closed in favor of remote learning options, and numerous other large social and community events and gatherings have been cancelled as precautionary measures to protect the community; and

WHEREAS, similarly, on a national front, professional and college sports leagues, including, but not limited to, the National Basketball Association, Major League Baseball, National Collegiate Athletic Association, National Hockey League, and the Professional Golfers' Association have suspended operations; and

WHEREAS, businesses and government offices are continuing to announce new closures daily to ensure the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19, as well as such mass closures and suspensions of operations, will have a significant negative financial impact on local businesses; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor DeSantis activated the Business Damage Assessment Survey (the "survey") to assess these impacts and begin implementing appropriate relief programs for such local businesses; and

WHEREAS, local businesses can complete the survey online through the Florida

Department of Economic Opportunity's website at <a href="https://floridadisaster.biz/">https://floridadisaster.biz/</a>; and

WHEREAS, results from the survey will be shared with state agencies and local partners to ensure that the state can access both federal and state resources to the maximum extent possible to assist businesses impacted by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, data collected from County businesses will be critical to designing the most effective response to assisting businesses impacted by COVID-19 in Miami-Dade County,

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

Section 1. Supports the activation by Governor DeSantis of the emergency business damage assessment survey for coronavirus disease 2019.

- Section 2. Urges local businesses to complete the survey.
- **Section 3.** Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to:
- (a) use available resources to encourage local businesses in the County to complete the Business Damage Assessment Survey, and to share the survey countywide by, for example,



- i. prominently posting a link to the survey (<a href="https://floridadisaster.biz/">https://floridadisaster.biz/</a>) on the main portal page for <a href="https://miamidade.gov">https://miamidade.gov</a> and on the County's Coronavirus information webpage;
- ii. directing County departments or entities that interact with local businesses to also post a link to the survey on their department websites; and
- iii. directing County departments or entities that interact with local businesses to publish or promulgate the survey to and among local businesses; and
- iv. advertising the survey's existence and a link to the survey on Miami-Dade County's social media platforms;
- (b) work with the appropriate state officials to obtain the results of the survey for businesses located in Miami-Dade County;
- (c) disaggregate the data based on County Commission Districts;
- (d) provide that District-specific data to each Commissioner as soon as it is available; and
- (e) within 45 days of the effective date of this resolution, to provide a report to this Board detailing recommendations for how to best assist local businesses and affected workforce recover from this public health emergency. Such report shall be placed on the agenda of the Board as required by Miami-Dade County Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava. 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:



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Audrey M. Edmonson, Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa, Vice Chairwoman

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The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020. 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

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

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Angela F. Benjamin