

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(9)

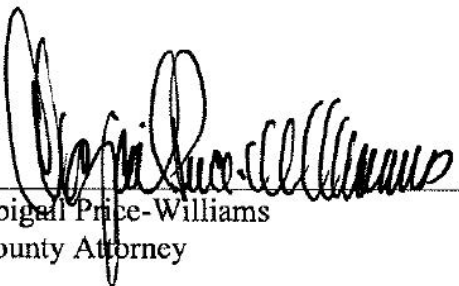
TO: Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 19, 2020

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the Mayor
to use legally available funding
to create and conduct an
educational campaign, including
but not limited to public service
announcements on radio,
television, and social media
regarding the dangers and signs
of human trafficking

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Joe A. Martinez, and the Co-Sponsors are Vice Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa and Senator Javier D. Souto.


Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

APW/uw



MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 19, 2020

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 11(A)(9)

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 present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, or CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c)(2) ____) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(9)
5-19-20

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO USE LEGALLY AVAILABLE FUNDING TO CREATE AND CONDUCT AN EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGN, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS ON RADIO, TELEVISION, AND SOCIAL MEDIA REGARDING THE DANGERS AND SIGNS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

WHEREAS, human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery, which involves the exploitation of persons for commercial sex or forced labor; and

WHEREAS, while many victims of human trafficking are forced to work in prostitution or the sexual entertainment industry, trafficking also occurs in the form of labor exploitation, such as domestic servitude and restaurant, janitorial, sweatshop factory, and agricultural work; and

WHEREAS, the reprehensible individuals who profit from this deplorable practice often prey upon and manipulate the most vulnerable in our society by making victims fear that they may suffer from serious physical harm or legal coercion if they attempt to seek help or escape their conditions; and

WHEREAS, most of the victims of human trafficking are young children, teenagers, and women; and

WHEREAS, for example, a 2011 report by the Department of Justice's Bureau of Judicial Statistics found that nearly half of all incidents of sex trafficking in the United States involve victims under the age of 18; and

WHEREAS, according to a 2017 study conducted by the International Labor Organization and Walk Free Foundation, in partnership with the International Organization for Migration, nearly 25 million people worldwide are victims of human trafficking; and

WHEREAS, the need to address human trafficking is particularly significant in Florida because it has the third highest call volume among all states to the National Human Trafficking Hotline; and

WHEREAS, these actions have no place in our world, and this Board has continuously strived to raise awareness and address all forms of human trafficking; and

WHEREAS, the Board's efforts can be greatly assisted by creating and developing an educational campaign to educate and remind people about the dangers and signs of human trafficking because people will be more aware of the problem, less vulnerable of becoming victims, and more informed on how to seek out help for themselves or others; and

WHEREAS, in developing the educational campaign requested in this resolution, the Mayor should work with agencies such as Kristi House, an agency which has already developed a nationally recognized program to combat the commercial exploitation of children that provides specialized training to recognize and recover the victims of human trafficking,

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

Section 1. This Board hereby directs the Mayor to use legally available funding sources to create and conduct an educational campaign, including but not limited to public service announcements on radio, television, and social media, regarding the dangers and signs of human trafficking to the maximum extent possible. The educational campaign shall include public service announcements in English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole.

Section 2. This Board hereby directs the Mayor to provide a status report to this Board on this educational campaign. The Mayor shall place the completed report on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65 within 180 days of the effective date of this resolution.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Joe A. Martinez, and the Co-Sponsors are Vice Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa 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:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Audrey M. Edmonson, Chairwoman | |
| Rebeca Sosa, Vice Chairwoman | |
| Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. | Daniella Levine Cava |
| Jose "Pepe" Diaz | Sally A. Heyman |
| Eileen Higgins | Barbara J. Jordan |
| Joe A. Martinez | Jean Monestime |
| Dennis C. Moss | Sen. Javier D. Souto |
| Xavier L. Suarez | |

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 19th day of May, 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

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

RC

Ryan Carlin