Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
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Agenda Item No. 8(N)(1)(A)
4-24-07

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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. R-414-07

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF ONE REPLACEMENT MEMBER TO THE AGRICULTURE PRACTICES STUDY ADVISORY BOARD

**WHEREAS**, Sections 2-931, 2-932 and 2-933 of the Code of Miami-Dade County provide for the creation, composition, terms, purpose, and duties of the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board (APSAB); and

**WHEREAS**, a vacancy of the South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District representative seat exists on the APSAB; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2-932 of the Code of Miami-Dade County directs that vacancies on the APSAB are to be filled by the Board of County Commissioners from a slate of nominees selected by the County Manager; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Manager recommends the appointment of Mr. John DeMott to represent the South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,** that Mr. John DeMott representing the South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District is hereby appointed to the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board for a three year term to expire on December 31, 2009.

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# MEMORANDUM

**(Revised)**

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** April 24, 2007

**FROM:** Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 8(N)(1)(A)

**Please note any items checked.**

_____ **"4-Day Rule" ("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**

_____ **Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation**

_____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing**

_____ **Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)**

_____ **No committee review**

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis C. Moss and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman aye
Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman aye

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| Jose "Pepe" Diaz | aye | Audrey M. Edmonson | absent |
| Carlos A. Gimenez | aye | Sally A. Heyman | absent |
| Joe A. Martinez | aye | Dennis C. Moss | aye |
| Dorrin D. Rolle | aye | Natacha Seijas | absent |
| Katy Sorenson | aye | Rebeca Sosa | aye |
| Sen. Javier D. Souto | aye | | |

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 24th day of April, 2007. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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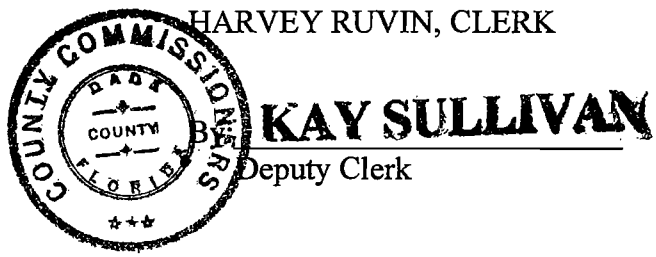
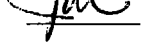



By: KAY SULLIVAN
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Joni Armstrong Coffey

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**Florida City, FL 33034**

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September 20, 2006

Britton Wilson, APSAB Coordinator
Department of Planning & Zoning
111 N. 1st Street, Suite 1210
Miami, FL 33128

Dear Coordinator Wilson:

The enclosed resolution by the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors requests approval of John DeMott as its representative on the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board to replace Colleen Boggs whose two three-year terms have expired.

Mr. DeMott looks forward to representing local agricultural interests on the APSAB. A copy of his resume' is provided herewith.

Sincerely,

Morgan I. Levy, Administrator

Cc: Charles LaPradd, Ag Manager, M-D County

# Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

**Date:** April 24, 2007

Agenda Item No. 8(N)(1)(A)

**To:** Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** George M. Burgess
County Manager

**Subject:** Resolution Approving the Appointment of the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District replacement member to the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board

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**This item was amended during the Governmental Operations and Environment Committee meeting on 3/13/07 to include the names of the one common Director and two common employees of the South Florida Conservation & Development Council, Inc and the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District and to correct a scrivener's error incorrectly naming the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board (APSAB) instead of the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District (SDSWCD) in the Background section the third and fourth lines.**

**Recommendation**
It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners select John DeMott to fill the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District (SDSWCD) seat on the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board (APSAB) as recommended by the SDSWCD. This seat will have a term of three years, ending December 2009, with the option to reappoint for a second term.

**Scope**
The Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board has a countywide impact.

**Fiscal Impact**
There is no fiscal impact to the County.

**Track Record**
This section regarding vendors does not apply.

**Background**
This recommendation was originally brought before the February 13, 2007 Governmental Operations and Environment Committee. This individual appointment was bifurcated in order to confirm whether there were issues arising from litigation filed by the South Florida Conservation & Development Council, Inc. (Plaintiff) against the County. This issue has been researched and it was determined that SDSWCD and Plaintiff have one Director (S. Cooper McMillan) in common. Additionally, two employees of SDSWCD (Morgan Levy and Sonny Clayton ) are also on the Board of Supervisors of Plaintiff.

The APSAB consists of thirteen members representing a variety of agricultural industries. The term for the member representing the SDSWCD expired on December 31, 2006. Section 2-932, Code of Miami-Dade County, requires that the Board of County Commissioners appoint vacancies occurring on the Agricultural Board. This seat will have a term of three years, ending December 2009, with the option to reappoint for a second term.

The nominating organization is required to submit resumes of two qualified individuals to

represent them on the APSAB, and is encouraged to recommend the member they wish to have appointed as representative. The SDSWCD nominations are Mr. John DeMott and Mr. Cooper McMillan with the recommended appointment of Mr. John DeMott.

Mr. John DeMott graduated from the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Biology as well as a second Bachelor of Science in Environmental Horticulture. Mr. DeMott has been the owner and operator of Redland Nursery Inc. since 1972. Mr. Cooper McMillan graduated from the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture and is currently owner and operator of his family's farm.

The resumes of these individuals are attached. After reviewing the qualifications of these nominees and considering the recommendations of the SDSWCD, I am recommending Mr. John DeMott as their representative.

Assistant County Manager

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**RESOLUTION** **ORIGINAL**

WHEREAS: Miami-Dade County has established the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board (APSAB) in 1995 to study and make recommendations pertaining to the regulation of agriculture in Miami-Dade County.

WHEREAS: The South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District, a non-profit, governmental subdivision of the State of Florida, has been effectively working with the agricultural community of Miami-Dade County since 1982 to promote and enhance local agriculture and its concerns for the environmental issues associated with good stewardship of agricultural practices in Miami-Dade County.

WHEREAS: The South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District has had a representative on the APSAB since the APSAB was organized.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District (SDSWCD) Board of Supervisors submits the name of John DeMott, a SDSWCD Supervisor, in accordance with Article LXVII Code of Ordinances, to serve for a three (3) year term on the APSAB to the Department of Planning and Zoning for approval by the County Manager. Mr. DeMott is recommended as the replacement for Colleen Boggs who has successfully completed two three-year terms.

The SDSWCD Board of Supervisors requests that the county manager approve John DeMott for service on the APSAB.

Resolution Approved unanimously at the regularly scheduled meeting of the SDSWCD Board of Supervisors, September 20, 2006.

Cooper S. McMillan, III, Chairman..... Cooper S. McMillan

Louise King, Secretary..... Louise E. King

Dr. Tom Davenport, Treasurer..... Thomas L. Davenport

Dr. Kati Magliaccio..... ABSENT

John DeMott.....abstained

## VI RESOLUTION - AG PRACTICES ADVISORY BOARD CANDIDATE

Katie makes a motion to present John DeMott to the Mayor as the SDSWCD member of the Ag Practices Advisory Board, whose term would run from January 1, 2007 until December 31, 2009. Tor seconds the motion, all aye.

*Action Taken: Morgan Levy, SDSWCD Administrator, will write a letter to the Miami-Dade County Department of Planning and Zoning recommending Mr. DeMott to represent the SDSWCD on the Ag Practices Advisory Board.*

## VII NACD MEMBERSHIP FEE

Invoice presented for FY 2006-07 NACD membership, expected to be 1% of budget. Cooper suggests a $200 donation this year, to enforce our commitment.

*Action Taken: $200 will be sent to the National Assoc. of Conservation Districts this year, doubling our last year's contribution.*

**Next meeting scheduled for September 20, 2006.**

**Meeting Adjourned at 11:40 a.m. by Chairman McMillan.**

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**John C. DeMott** **Feb, 2006** 305-248-5109
18455 SW 264 St. Redland, Florida 33031 Redland@Netrus.net

## Profile

DOB April, 1948, Larchmont NY

Moved to South Florida 1951

St. Brendan grade school Miami, through 7th grade

Redland Jr. High School

South Dade High graduating in 1966

## Professional Accomplishments

**Aerospace**

- Commercial Pilot License

**Agriculture**

- Redland Nursery Inc. Est. 1972
- Alpha Foliage Inc. Est. 1981
- 2B Farms Inc. Est. 1985
- Keys Foliage 1979
- Florida Keys Botanical Center Inc. Est. 2004
- Tropical Treasures Inc. Est.1987
- Greenland Nursery Est. 2002
- Zone10 Inc. Est. 1996
- East Glade Tropical Est. 1982
- FNGLA Seed-bank Est. 1997 Http://www.botanicalauctions.com
- Helped Defeat Flora Board (A marketing order, they still get their funding from our industry via. bond money placed on selective buyers of horticulture products.)
- Past President of the Dade County Chapter of the Florida Nursery and Growers Association. 1980
- VP of Friends of Chapman Field (grass roots organization that helped keep this ARS station from closure and becoming part of, or another, Dearing Bay Yacht and Country Club) 1996

**Family**

- Married to Carol DeMott since 1970
- Children Jeff, Jennifer
- Both engaged
- Both in Collage

## Work History

**Watercraft operator** **US Army** 1970-1972

Ft. Rucker Alabama, Fort Eustis

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| | Virginia, Eglin Air force Base Florida, | |
| **Firefighter** | Miami Dade County, Florida | 1972- 2000 |
| **Ornamental Horticulture** | Dade County | 1970-present |

## Education

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| **AA in Aerospace** | Dade Community Collage, | 1969 |
| **(Burnies' Bombers)** | South Miami, Fla. | |

# Cooper McMillan's resume

## Education

South Dade High School
Miami Community College – A.A. 1979
University of Florida B.S. Agriculture – 1984 major- fruit crops

## Work Experience

Grew up on the family farm that I currently manage
Ag. Salesman for S&M Farm Supply Inc. 1983-85
Crop Production manager for SunFresh Farms 1985-87
Farming on my own since 1987

## Community Activities

Founding member and past chairman of Miami-Dade Ag. Practices Committee (retired)
Farm Service Agency committee member
Chairman of South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District