Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No. 11(A)(26)
Veto		09-04-07 OFFICIAL FILE COP
Override		CLERK OF THE BOARD
		OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
	RESOLUTION NO.	MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA R-1011-07

RESOLUTION URGING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO ADOPT A PLAN TO REBUILD HAITI SIMILAR TO THE MARSHALL PLAN

WHEREAS, Haiti has long been the poorest nation in the Western Hemisphere even though it lies only six hundred miles from the U.S.; and

WHEREAS, Haiti's per capita gross domestic product is 40 percent (40%) lower than that of Nicaragua, which is the hemisphere's next-poorest country; and

WHEREAS, Haiti's economy is largely on life supports, with an estimated one-quarter of the economy, or \$800 million a year, consisting of money sent home by overseas Haitians; and

WHEREAS, the United Nations says approximately half of Haiti's eight million people don't get minimum daily food requirements; and

WHEREAS, Haiti is in need of a Marshall Plan similar to the U.S. plan for rebuilding the war-torn allied countries of Europe after World War II; and

WHEREAS, a Marshall Plan for Haiti could result in a massive infusion of food, infrastructure, aid, technical help, trade preferences and other assistance; and

WHEREAS, a Marshall Plan for Haiti could serve to jump start Haiti's economy just as the Marshall Plan did in many regions of Europe leading to several decades of growth and prosperity following World War II,

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

Agenda Item No. 11(A) (26) Page No. 2

Section 1. Urges the federal government to adopt a plan to rebuild Haiti similar to the Marshall Plan.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the members of the Miami-Dade County Congressional Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for the passage of the legislation set forth in Section 1 above, and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2007 and 2008 Federal Legislative Packages.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Dennis C. Moss and Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and offered by Commissioner Dennis C. Moss , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Arrivey M. Rimonson and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman aye				
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	<i>ay</i> e	Audrey M. Edmonson	aye	
Carlos A. Gimenez	aye	Sally A. Heyman	absent	
Joe A. Martinez	aye	Dennis C. Moss	aye	
Dorrin D. Rolle	ave	Natacha Sejias	nav	

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman

Dorrin D. Rolle aye
Katy Sorenson aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto aye

Natacha Seijas Rebeca Sosa

nay absent The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of September, 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.



Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

MML

Jess M. McCarty

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

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: KAY SULLIVAN
Deputy Clerk



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

DATE:

September 4, 2007

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

R. A. Cuevas, Jr

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Agenda Item No.

11(A)(26)

Ple	ase 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 budge
	Budget required
· ·	Statement of fiscal impact required
<u> </u>	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

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(26)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

September 4, 2007

FROM:

R.A. Cuevas, Jr.

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution urging the Federal

government to adopt a plan

to rebuild Haiti similar to

the Marshall Plan

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Dennis C. Moss and Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

County Attorney

RAC/bw