

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(26)

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

DATE: February 5, 2008

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution relating to the
2008 Miami International
Agriculture & Cattle Show

Resolution R-159-08

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Senator Javier D. Souto.



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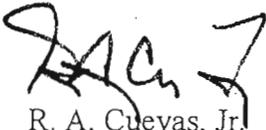


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Please note any items checked.

- "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

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. R-159-08

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE,
GOVERNOR, AND COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE
AND CONSUMER SERVICES TO SUPPORT THE 2008
MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURE & CATTLE
SHOW

WHEREAS, South Florida and Miami-Dade County have a long history in both agriculture and cattle in a state known for both; and

WHEREAS, the first Miami International Agriculture & Cattle Show will be an opportunity to showcase the significance of these activities to South Florida; and

WHEREAS, the four-day Show will take place on May 15-18, 2008 and is expected to attract regional agri-business interests and others, from South America, Central America, the Caribbean and other parts of the World; and

WHEREAS, for our foreign visitors Miami is a perfect stop-over for those going on to the World Brahman Congress XIV in Fort Worth, Texas; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the cattle show, there also will be agriculture trade exhibits, vendors, equestrian activities and demonstration events, and other livestock exhibits; and

WHEREAS, the Show will be held in the Ronald Reagan Equestrian Center at Tropical Park, a premier park in the Miami-Dade Parks system; and

WHEREAS, the Show is anticipated to open-up new opportunities for commerce and tourism; and

WHEREAS, the Show will also present the opportunity for members of the Florida agriculture and cattle industries to network together with similar industry members from throughout Latin America; and

WHEREAS, one of the featured components of the show will be a series of lectures and workshops conducted by experts in forage production, nutrition, animal health, genetics, ethanol and bio-fuels,

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

Section 1. Urges the Florida Legislature, Governor, and Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services to support and take an active role in the 2008 Miami International Agriculture & Cattle Show, by promoting the Show, providing funding, providing technical and educational assistance, and providing assistance in securing the participation of cattlemen and agricultural interests from throughout Florida.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor, Commissioner of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Senate President, House Speaker, Chair and Members of the Senate Agriculture Committee, Chair and Members of the House Agribusiness Committee, and Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the actions set forth in Section 1 above, and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2008 State Legislative Package.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Senator Javier D. Souto and offered by Commissioner **Joe A. Martinez**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Jose "Pepe" Diaz** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman	aye	
	Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman	aye	
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	aye	Audrey M. Edmonson	aye
Carlos A. Gimenez	aye	Sally A. Heyman	aye
Joe A. Martinez	aye	Dennis C. Moss	absent
Dorrin D. Rolle	aye	Natacha Seijas	aye
Katy Sorenson	absent	Rebeca Sosa	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye		

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of February, 2008. 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

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: **Kay Sullivan**
Deputy Clerk



Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

Jess M. McCarty