

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(17)

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 declaring May as
month of commemoration of
Cuba and the Cuban-
American experience in
Miami-Dade County

Resolution R-158-08

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Natacha Seijas.



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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-158-08

**RESOLUTION DECLARING MAY AS MONTH OF
COMMEMORATION OF CUBA AND THE CUBAN-
AMERICAN EXPERIENCE IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the history of Cuba and that of the State of Florida have been intertwined;
and

WHEREAS, commencing in 1959 more than one million Cubans fled the island of Cuba
in the pursuit of freedom to be exiled in the United States; and

WHEREAS, most made Miami-Dade County their permanent home; and

WHEREAS, Cuban Americans have had a profound influence in every aspect of the
culture of South Florida; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County is a culturally diverse community comprised of many
different races and ethnic groups; and

WHEREAS, the dissemination and promotion of cultural values of the various segments
of our community enhances us all; and

WHEREAS, the month of May is of particular historical relevance to the Cuban people
since Cuba became an independent republic on May 20, 1902; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to recognize the accomplishment of Cuban-Americans,
promote and disseminate their achievements, and honor their sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, an exhibit will be displayed in the Stephen P. Clark Center throughout the
month of May,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY that the month of May is hereby declared Month of Commemoration of Cuba and the Cuban American Experience in Miami-Dade County, and the Mayor or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the intent of this resolution through all appropriate means.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Natacha Seijas and was offered by Commissioner **Joe A. Martinez**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Jose "Pepe" Diaz** and 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 Chairperson 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

Approved by County Attorney
As to form and legal sufficiency HBS

By: **Kay Sullivan**
Deputy Clerk

Hugo Benitez

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