

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(2)

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

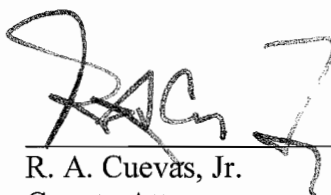
DATE: April 8, 2008

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing
the County Mayor to
study the feasibility
of reinstating the
Orange Blossom Classic
Football Game

Resolution No. R-418-08

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



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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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4-08-08

RESOLUTION NO. R-418-08

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF REINSTATING THE ORANGE BLOSSOM CLASSIC FOOTBALL GAME IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WITHIN 60 DAYS

WHEREAS, the Orange Blossom Classic Football Game and Festivities is a special event, not just a football game started by Florida A&M University back in 1933; and

WHEREAS, the Orange Blossom Classic Football Game is the forerunner of the modern day historically black colleges and university football classics and once was America's oldest continuing college football classic; and

WHEREAS, the Orange Blossom Classic Football Game was the granddaddy of all modern black college football classics and has been held for 67 years over a span of eight decades, in five cities; and

WHEREAS, the first Orange Blossom Classic Game was held in 1933 in Jacksonville and the classic moved to Miami in 1947 and became the premier black college football game; and

WHEREAS, the Orange Blossom Classic became to black college football what the world famous Rose Bowl is to major school bowl games; and

WHEREAS, the Orange Blossom Classic Football game's most recent renewal occurred in 2005, with a game between Florida A&M University and Florida International University; and

WHEREAS, the economic impact of an Orange Blossom Classic Football Game and weekend can be significant, as are other black college football classic games. As an example: The Florida Classic in Orlando draws over 70,000 fans and has an estimated economic impact of \$14 million dollars; the Circle City Classic in Indianapolis has an estimated \$17-\$20 million

dollar impact and the Silver Dollar Classic held in Las Vegas generated an estimated \$25 million in revenue for the city of Las Vegas,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board directs the Mayor or his designee to study the feasibility of reinstating the Orange Blossom Football Classic and to report back to the Board of County Commissioners within 60 days.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Dennis C. Moss and offered by Commissioner **Dennis C. Moss**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Audrey M. Edmonson** 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	absent	Dennis C. Moss aye
Dorrin D. Rolle	absent	Natacha Seijas aye
Katy Sorenson	aye	Rebeca Sosa absent
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye	

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 8th day of April, 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.

Eric Rodriguez