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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: July 1, 2008

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

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Subject: Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board:
Replacement and Reappointment of Members

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

Resolution No. R-751-08

Recommendation
It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners appoint the following persons fill seats on the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory Board (APSAB):

- Jonathan Borghi to fill the Agribanking Industry seat as recommended by the Greater Homestead/Florida City Chamber of Commerce;
- Larry Caudle to fill the Allied Agribusiness seat as recommended by the Dade Agricouncil
- Robert Bishop to fill the first of two Vegetable Industry seats as recommended by the Dade County Farm Bureau (DCFB).
- Teena Borek to fill the second of two Vegetable Industry seats as recommended by the DCFB;
- Paul Radice to fill the Aquaculture Industry seat as recommended by the Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida;

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

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source
There is no fiscal impact to the County.

Track Record/Monitor
This section regarding vendors does not apply.

Background
The APSAB consists of thirteen members representing a variety of agricultural industries. Section 2-932, Code of Miami-Dade County requires that vacancies occurring on the APSAB be filled by the Board of County Commissioners from a slate of nominees selected by the County Manager, through a selection process implemented by the Department of Planning & Zoning (DP&Z). A minimum of two nominees for each position, and minutes of the meeting at which the nominees were selected, are required to nominate new representatives for a vacant seat. However, if an organization desires to reappoint their current representative to the APSAB for a second term, only a letter stating that desire to DP&Z need be submitted. In the case of a resignation, the nominating organization is also required to submit a letter of resignation from the member vacating the seat. The resumes of the following individuals are attached.

- Agribanking Industry Seat
  Mr. Jonathan Borghi and Mr. John Alger were selected to represent the Greater Homestead/Florida City Chamber of Commerce. The term for the member currently filling this seat expired December 31, 2007. The seat will have a term of three years, ending December 31,

2010, with the option to reappoint for a second term.

Mr. Alger sits on the Board of Directors for Farm Credit of South Florida, manages Alger Farms, and holds a Bachelors Degree in Agricultural Economics.

Mr. Borghi has worked as a loan officer with Farm Credit of South Florida for several years, servicing a loan portfolio and marketing crop insurance to members of the agricultural community. He holds a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration and an MBA. ***The Greater Homestead/Florida City Chamber of Commerce recommends the appointment of Jonathan Borghi.***

- Agribusiness Industry Seat
  Mr. Larry Caudle and Ms. Diane Massucci were selected to represent the Dade Agricouncil. The term for Reed Olszack, the member currently representing the Dade Agricouncil, was erroneously believed to expire in December of 2007, but actually expired December 31, 2006. He has agreed to remain in his seat until a replacement is appointed. This new representative will serve the remainder of this term, ending in December 2009, in order to maintain the staggered membership terms. The new representative will then be eligible for two complete terms.

  Ms. Diane Massucci is the Agricouncil secretary and is responsible for the Agricouncil's Agricultural Tour and annual exhibitions at the Miami-Dade County Fair and Exposition. She also volunteers with the "Ag in the Classroom" program and "Ag Literacy Week" at local public schools.

  Mr. Larry Caudle has worked as a cattle and grove farmer in the County since 1978 and has worked in sales for Agriliance since 1998. He attended the University of Miami and NC State University. ***The Dade Agricouncil recommends the appointment of Larry Caudle.***

- Vegetable Industry Seat #1
  Mr. Robert Bishop and Mr. Sam Accursio were selected to represent the DCFB for the first of two Vegetable Industry seats. Danny Helms, the member currently filling this seat, resigned from the APSAB in May of 2008. His replacement will serve out the remainder of his term, which expires in December of 2009, and will then be eligible for two more complete terms.

  Mr. Sam Accursio is the owner of Sam S. Accursio and Sons Farms, a vegetable farm in Southern Miami-Dade County that produces squash, beans and pickles. Mr. Accursio has also served on various community organizations, including the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association and the Florida Nursery, Growers & Landscape Association. He has also served on the Miami-Dade County Cooperative Extension Service's Vegetable Advisory Committee and on the DCFB Board of Directors.

  Mr. Robert Bishop is the President of 27 Farms of Homestead, which specializes in the cultivation of corn and soybean seed for research purposes. 27 Farms of Homestead also grows avocados, beans and a variety of other vegetables. Mr. Bishop has served as a member of several community organizations, including the Vegetable Advisory Committee and the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association. He has also served as President of the Dade County Farm Bureau. ***The DCFB recommends the appointment of Robert Bishop.***

- Vegetable Industry Seat #2
  Ms. Teena Borek and Sam Accursio were selected to represent the DCFB for the second of two Vegetable Industry seats. Teena Borek is the representative currently filling this seat. Ms. Borek's current term expired December 31, 2007. Her second term will be three years long and

will expire December 31, 2010. She will not be eligible for reappointment upon the expiration of her second term.

Mr. Sam Accursio is the owner of Sam S. Accursio and Sons Farms, a vegetable farm in Southern Miami-Dade County that produces squash, beans and pickles. Mr. Accursio has also served on various community organizations, including the Florida Fruit and Vegetable Association and the Florida Nursery, Growers & Landscape Association. He has also served on the Miami-Dade County Cooperative Extension Service's Vegetable Advisory Committee and on the Dade County Farm Bureau Board of Directors.

Teena Borek has served on the APSAB since April of 2003 and is eligible to serve a second term. She has served as an active member of the APSAB. Her attendance has been consistent and dependable. She has provided leadership to the other members on a variety of issues the Board has raised, and has represented her industry well. ***The DCFB recommends the appointment of Teena Borek.***

- Aquaculture Industry Seat
  Mr. Paul Radice was selected to represent the Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida. Mr. Radice is the representative currently filling the aquaculture industry seat. Mr. Radice's current term expired December 31, 2007. His second term will be three years long and will expire December 31, 2010. He will not be eligible for reappointment upon the expiration of his second term.

  Mr. Radice has served on the APSAB since April of 2003 and is eligible to serve a second term. He has served as an active member of the APSAB. His attendance has been consistent and dependable. He has provided leadership to the other members on a variety of issues the Board has raised, and has represented his industry well. ***The Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida recommends the appointment of Paul Radice.***

Assistant County Manager

MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: July 1, 2008

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr. 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

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 8(N)(1)(A)
7-1-08

RESOLUTION NO. **R-751-08**

RESOLUTION REPLACING THREE MEMBERS AND REAPPOINTING TWO MEMBERS TO THE AGRICULTURAL 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 Agribanking Industry representative seat exists on the APSAB; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy of the Allied Agribusiness representative seat exists on the APSAB; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy of the first of two Vegetable Industry seats exists on the APSAB; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy of the second of two Vegetable Industry seats exists on the APSAB; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy of the Aquaculture Industry 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 through a process to be implemented by the Department of Planning and Zoning (DP&Z); and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners appoint to the APSAB Mr. Jonathan Borghi to represent the Agribanking Industry, Mr. Larry Caudle to represent Allied Agribusiness, Mr. Robert Bishop to represent the first of two Vegetable Industry seats, Ms. Teena Borek to represent the second of two Vegetable Industry seats, and Mr. Paul Radice to represent the Aquaculture Industry,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that Jonathan Borghi representing the Agribanking Industry, Teena Borek representing the second of two Vegetable Industry seats, and Paul Radice representing the Aquaculture Industry, are hereby appointed to the Agricultural Practices Study Advisory board for a three-year term to expire on December 31, 2010. Larry Caudle representing Allied Agribusiness, and Robert Bishop representing the first of two Vegetable Industry seats are hereby appointed to serve out the remaining two years of a three-year term to expire on December 31, 2009.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Jose "Pepe" Diaz**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Katy Sorenson** 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	**aye**
Dorrin D. Rolle	**absent**	Natacha Seijas	**aye**
Katy Sorenson	**aye**	Rebeca Sosa	**aye**
Sen. Javier D. Souto	**aye**		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 1st day of July, 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.

Craig H. Coller