



MEMORANDUM

Amended
Agenda Item No. 11(A)(4)

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 22, 2009

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

SUBJECT: Resolution declaring May, 2009 and
each May thereafter as Month of
Commemoration of Cuba and the
Cuban-American Experience in
Miami-Dade County

R-82-09

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Natacha Seijas, and Co-Sponsors Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro, Vice-Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez, Commissioner Sally A. Heyman, Commissioner Joe A. Martinez, Chairman Dennis C. Moss, Commissioner Dorrin D. Rolle, Commissioner Katy Sorenson and Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.



R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
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Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DECLARING MAY, 2009 AND EACH MAY
THEREAFTER 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, 2009,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that that the month of May, 2009 and each May thereafter is hereby declared Month of Commemoration of Cuba and the Cuban-American Experience in Miami-Dade County, and the Mayor or designee is hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the intent of this resolution through all appropriate means for May, 2009 and each May thereafter.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Natacha Seijas, and the Co-Sponsors are Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro, Vice-Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez, Commissioner Sally A. Heyman, Commissioner Joe A. Martinez, Chairman Dennis C. Moss, Commissioner Dorrin D. Rolle, Commissioner Katy Sorenson and Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

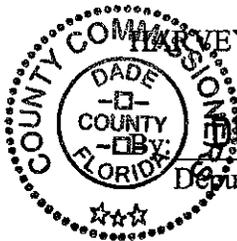
It was offered by Commissioner Natacha Seijas, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Joe A. Martinez and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Dennis C. Moss, Chairman	aye	
	Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman	aye	
Bruno A. Barreiro	aye	Audrey M. Edmonson	absent
Carlos A. Gimenez	aye	Sally A. Heyman	aye
Barbara J. Jordan	absent	Joe A. Martinez	aye
Dorrin D. Rolle	aye	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 22nd day of January, 2009. 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

DAVID RUVIN, CLERK
DIANE COLLINS
Deputy Clerk



Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Jess M. McCarty