

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(1)

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

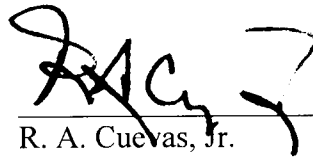
DATE: May 4, 2010

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the Mayor
to develop and implement a program
to promote and welcome military,
coast guard, and foreign military
vessels to the Port of Miami

Resolution No. R-555-10

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Vice-Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz.



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Please note any items checked.

- "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**
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing**
- No committee review**
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____) to approve**
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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5-4-10

RESOLUTION NO. R-555-10

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM TO PROMOTE AND WELCOME MILITARY, COAST GUARD, AND FOREIGN MILITARY VESSELS TO THE PORT OF MIAMI

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County is a military-friendly community and a long-time host to military and Coast Guard installations; and

WHEREAS, The Beacon Council formed the Miami-Dade Defense Alliance to enhance, expand, and retain existing military installations in Miami-Dade County, to support local reuse efforts as a result of base/mission closures or realignments and to retain and enhance the defense-related industries that contribute significant economic benefit to the local economy; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County's Military Liaison has worked with the Miami-Dade Defense Alliance, the Military Affairs Committee of the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Homestead/Florida City Chamber of Commerce, Chamber South, the Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau, as well as other military and veteran support organizations to enhance the community's relationship with the military; and

WHEREAS, according to the Beacon Council, the Military, through direct and indirect employment, brings over 25,000 jobs to South Florida; and

WHEREAS, attracting military vessels to the Port of Miami can create a mutually beneficial relationship between the military and business communities as well as provide a desirable and friendly shore leave for the ships' crews; and

WHEREAS, the public in other parts of the state and country has shown an interest in viewing and touring military vessels; and

WHEREAS, there are many great natural, historic, cultural, and entertainment attractions in Miami-Dade County that can provide a well-deserved diversion for soldiers and sailors on liberty; and

WHEREAS, a plan with the purpose of promoting economic development, education, and opportunity through a program designed to invite and welcome military ships to the Port of Miami could be beneficial to the County's business community, to its residents, and to the military and its service members,

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

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated in this resolution.

Section 2. This Board directs the Mayor or designee to develop and implement a County program, in cooperation with the Beacon Council and the Miami-Dade Defense Alliance, and other appropriate organizations, to promote and welcome military and Coast Guard vessels to the Port of Miami as a port of call. The program shall address plans for bringing the vessels to the Port, welcoming visiting soldiers and sailors, informing the public of visiting vessels, as well as a protocol for timely informing this Board, through the County's Military Liaison, of any such scheduled incoming vessels.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Vice-Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz. It was offered by Commissioner **Dorrin D. Rolle**, who moved its adoption.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Dennis C. Moss** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dennis C. Moss, Chairman	aye		
Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman	absent		
Bruno A. Barreiro	aye	Audrey M. Edmonson	aye
Carlos A. Gimenez	aye	Sally A. Heyman	absent
Barbara J. Jordan	aye	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 4th day of May, 2010. 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: **DIANE COLLINS**
 Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
 to form and legal sufficiency.

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Andrew B. Boese

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