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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(15)

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

DATE: October 5, 2010

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the Mayor to develop and establish, in collaboration with the Public Health Trust, a program of monthly tours at Jackson Health System Hospital facilities and to provide a report thereon

Resolution No. R-1026-10

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Senator Javier D. Souto and Co-Sponsor Commissioner Dorrin D. Rolle.

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County Attorney

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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**

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Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO DEVELOP AND ESTABLISH, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST, A PROGRAM OF MONTHLY TOURS AT JACKSON HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL FACILITIES AND TO PROVIDE A REPORT THEREON

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") is concerned that the Public Health Trust of Miami-Dade County ("PHT"), which operates Jackson Memorial Hospital, Jackson South Community Hospital, and Jackson North Medical Center (collectively "the Hospitals"), is currently facing one of the most serious financial crises in its history and has projected a deficit of over $200 million this fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the negative publicity surrounding the financial difficulties of the PHT is causing patients with medical insurance, or patients who otherwise have the ability to pay for medical care, to choose other hospitals because of their lack of confidence in the quality of care that the PHT can offer them at this time; and

WHEREAS, the PHT may benefit from increased community patronage, involvement and support in order to resolve the conditions currently threatening its financial health; and

WHEREAS, a program of monthly tours of the Hospitals will increase public awareness of the variety of medical services available at the Hospitals and should generate public confidence in the level of care and the quality of care available at the Hospitals to all patients, including insured patients,

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

Section 1. The Board of County Commissioners directs the Mayor or Mayor's designee to develop and establish, in collaboration with the Public Health Trust of Miami-Dade County, a program of monthly tours at Jackson Health System Hospital facilities.

Section 2. At the next regularly scheduled Health, Public Safety and Intergovernmental Committee meeting following the effective date of this Resolution, Mayor, Mayor's designee or the Public Health Trust shall report the status of the monthly tour program development and provide a schedule for the tours.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Senator Javier D. Souto and the Co-Sponsor is Commissioner Dorrin D. Rolle. It was offered by Commissioner Dorrin D. Rolle, 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	aye
Carlos A. Gimenez	absent	Sally A. Heyman	aye
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	absent		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 5th day of October, 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. VCC

Valda Clark Christian