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OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM Agenda Item No. 11(A)(3)

TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: June 21, 2011

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

SUBJECT: Resolution urging Congress to refrain from reducing funding to federal housing programs in the FY 2011-2012 national budget

Resolution No. R-496-11

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan.

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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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6-21-11

RESOLUTION NO. R-496-11

RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO REFRAIN FROM REDUCING FUNDING TO FEDERAL HOUSING PROGRAMS IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 NATIONAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, federal housing programs are regulated and administered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"); and

WHEREAS, according to the Secretary of HUD, Shaun Donavan, HUD housing programs have supported, among other things, 1.6 million responsible first-time homebuyers under the Federal Housing Agency, 1.8 million people with disabilities through the Housing Choice Vouchers, the Section 811, Public Housing programs, and other initiatives; and

WHEREAS, more than 900,000 seniors who live with the care they need and dignity they deserve under Section 202, Project-based Section 8, and Public Housing programs; and

WHEREAS, in today's difficult fiscal environment, where our national government is being forced to make hard decisions and budget responsibly, it is critical that we preserve funding for those housing programs that are integral to the well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, affordable housing has reached a crisis in our community and communities around the nation,

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

Section 1. Urges Congress to refrain from reducing funding for federal housing programs in the fiscal year 2011-2012 national budget.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Members of the Miami-Dade Congressional Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for the legislation set forth in Section 1 above, and that same be included in the 2011 and 2012 Federal Legislative Package.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan. It was offered by Commissioner **Jose "Pepe" Diaz**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman	aye		
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman	aye		
Bruno A. Barreiro	absent	Lynda Bell	aye
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	absent	Jose "Pepe" Diaz	aye
Sally A. Heyman	aye	Barbara J. Jordan	absent
Jean Monestime	aye	Dennis C. Moss	absent
Rebeca Sosa	aye	Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye
Xavier L. Suarez	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 21st day of June, 2011. 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.

Martin W. Sybblis