



**MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(13)

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

**DATE:** September 1, 2011

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution directing the Public Health  
Trust to study the feasibility of  
operating a physician and nurse house  
call service through the use of  
medically equipped vans

Resolution No. R-698-11

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RAC, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

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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

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

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9-1-11

RESOLUTION NO. R-698-11

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST  
TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF OPERATING A  
PHYSICIAN AND NURSE HOUSE CALL SERVICE  
THROUGH THE USE OF MEDICALLY EQUIPPED VANS

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Trust of Miami-Dade County (“the Public Health Trust”) is currently experiencing a fiscal crisis; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Trust is in need of new ways to generate revenue in order to sustain its mission of providing quality health care to all residents of Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, current trends in health care emphasize the provision of primary care; and

**WHEREAS**, providing a house call service would provide the Public Health Trust with a competitive edge in vying for primary care patients,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that the Public Health Trust through its Financial Recovery Board is directed to study the feasibility of creating a twenty-four (24) hours a day/seven (7) days a week physician and nurse house call service, utilizing medically equipped vans that would be stationed at Jackson Memorial Hospital, Jackson North Medical Center, Jackson South Community Hospital and a location in west Miami-Dade County, to provide medical diagnosis and treatment, intravenous infusion of antibiotics and other medicines, and other medical and nursing care to homebound patients or patients who find it difficult to visit a medical facility; and the Public Health Trust through its Financial Recovery Board is directed to report on the feasibility of creating this house call service to the Public

Safety and Healthcare Administration Committee within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this resolution.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Senator Javier D. Souto. It was offered by Commissioner **Jose "Pepe" Diaz**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Audrey Edmonson** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 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

**Christopher Agrippa**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

Karon M. Coleman