

## MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(6)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** February 19, 2014

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging the Governor  
and Florida Legislature to fully  
fund elder meal programs/Local  
Service Providers in Miami-Dade  
County and opposing legislation  
that might result in reductions for  
funding of elder meal programs  
and Local Service Providers in  
Miami-Dade County  
Resolution No. R-181-14

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa.

  
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County Attorney

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(Revised)

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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 Mayor'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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2-19-14

RESOLUTION NO. R-181-14

RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO FULLY FUND ELDER MEAL PROGRAMS/LOCAL SERVICE PROVIDERS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND OPPOSING LEGISLATION THAT MIGHT RESULT IN REDUCTIONS FOR FUNDING OF ELDER MEAL PROGRAMS AND LOCAL SERVICE PROVIDERS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

**WHEREAS**, Local Service Providers' funds provide thousands of meals for the elderly in Miami-Dade County and are the main source of funding for several senior centers in Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to providing meals for the elderly, funding for Local Service Providers facilitates the engagement of the elderly in the community because seniors who visit senior centers for meals have access to an array of services, including education, recreation, and health screenings; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County currently is matching state funding for elder meal programs in an amount of up to \$1 million; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County has a rapidly growing elderly population with increasing needs; and

**WHEREAS**, there are more than 350,000 persons over the age of 65 living in Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, one-third of Florida's elderly Medicaid recipients reside in Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Agriculture forecasts that the cost of food will increase at a significantly greater rate in 2014 than it did in 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, there should be no greater funding priority than elder meal programs and other programs for the elderly in our community,

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

**Section 1.** Urges the Governor and Florida Legislature to fully fund elder meal programs/Local Service Providers in Miami-Dade County.

**Section 2.** Opposes legislation that might result in reductions for funding of elder meal programs and Local Service Providers in Miami-Dade County.

**Section 3.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation, and the Secretary of the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.

**Section 4.** Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the funding indicated in Section 1 above.

**Section 5.** Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate against the passage of the legislation as set forth in Section 2 above.

**Section 6.** Authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2014 State Legislative Package to include this item.

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

	Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman	<b>aye</b>
	Lynda Bell, Vice Chair	<b>aye</b>
Bruno A. Barreiro	<b>aye</b>	Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. <b>aye</b>
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	<b>aye</b>	Audrey M. Edmonson <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>
Sen. Javier D. Souto	<b>aye</b>	Xavier L. Suarez <b>absent</b>
Juan C. Zapata	<b>aye</b>	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014. 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: **Christopher Agrippa**  
 Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
 to form and legal sufficiency.

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Matthew Papkin

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