

## MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(32)

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

**DATE:** March 4, 2014

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging Governor Rick Scott, the Florida Legislature, the Florida Secretary of State and other applicable State Agencies to identify and provide funding for the development and enhancement of Museum Park Resolution No. R-260-14

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Co-Prime Sponsors Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro and Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson.



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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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3-4-14

RESOLUTION NO. R-260-14

RESOLUTION URGING GOVERNOR RICK SCOTT, THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE, THE FLORIDA SECRETARY OF STATE AND OTHER APPLICABLE STATE AGENCIES TO IDENTIFY AND PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND ENHANCEMENT OF MUSEUM PARK

**WHEREAS**, in 2004, Miami-Dade County committed to the establishment of a Museum Park at what was then known as Bicentennial Park in the City of Miami to include a new Museum of Science and the Miami Art Museum for modern art; and

**WHEREAS**, indeed, in 2004, the voters of Miami-Dade County approved the issuance of general obligation bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$552,692,000 to construct and improve libraries, cultural facilities, and Head Start learning centers for pre-school children to offer multicultural educational opportunities and activities; and

**WHEREAS**, specifically, Miami Art Museum was allocated \$100 million for the development and construction of a new 150,000 square foot art museum and Museum of Science and the History Miami (formerly known as the Historical Museum of Southern Florida) were jointly allocated \$175 million (later reduced to \$171 million) for the development and construction of a new 250,000 science and technology museum and planetarium, at Bicentennial Park, as well as for the renovation and expansion of History Miami; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2008, this Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the City, the County and the two museums which provided the framework for a series of lease and funding agreements in order to provide land, bond funds, needed infrastructure, and transportation to Miami Art Museum, Museum of Science and the to-be-developed 21-acre park at Museum Park; and

**WHEREAS**, since that time, the County has provided funding to both Miami Art Museum and Museum of Science for the development and construction of the two museums and Miami Art Museum and Museum of Science have also been incredibly successful in securing private funding sources for the museums; and

**WHEREAS**, in fact, recently Miami Art Museum opened its doors and has since received thousands of visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, Museum of Science is set to be completed and opened in 2015; and

**WHEREAS**, in the meantime, little work has been done to develop the 21-acre park in Museum Park and the funds that have been identified for the development of the Park are not sufficient to develop the park to the extent that is necessary and fitting for its location and for the key cultural landmarks that Museum Park will house; and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County residents and companies, through the issuance and repayment of over \$200 million in bonds, through local City of Miami contributions towards the development of Museum Park and through the donations of millions of dollars directly to Miami Art Museum and Museum of Science by private individuals and companies, have provided outstanding financial support towards the development of Museum Park; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board desires to urge the State of Florida to also contribute towards a lasting cultural and recreational landmark- Museum Park- for the benefit and enjoyment of Florida residents, tourists and future generations,

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

Section 1. Urges Governor Rick Scott, the Florida Legislature, the Florida Secretary of State, and other applicable State Agencies to provide state funding for the development and enhancement of the 21-acre park at Museum Park.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation and the Florida Secretary of State.

Section 3. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the appropriation set forth in Section 1 above and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2014 state legislative package to include this item.

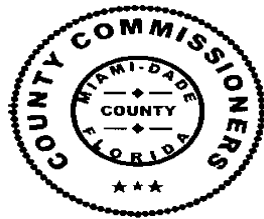
The Co-Prime Sponsors of the foregoing resolution are Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro and Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson. It was offered by Commissioner **Dennis C. Moss** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **José "Pepe" Diaz** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "MR", is written over a horizontal line.

Monica Rizo