MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(10)

TO:

Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

December 18, 2014

FROM:

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution approving 2015

state legislative priorities

Resolution No. R-1143-14

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

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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
\overline{V}	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	Agenda Item No. 11(A)(10)
Veto _	·	12-18-14
Override _		
	RESOLUTION NO.	R-1143-14
	RESOLUTION APPROVING	3 2015 STATE LEGISLATIVE

PRIORITIES

WHEREAS, the 2015 session of the Florida Legislature will begin on March 3, 2015; and

WHEREAS, committee meetings leading up to the 2015 session will begin shortly; and

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2012, this Board approved Resolution No. R-59-12, which directed the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, when it presents the proposed federal or state legislative agenda respectively to the Board, to include all "urging" resolutions and other resolutions related to federal or state legislation passed by the Board of County Commissioners to date for the current Congress or session; and

WHEREAS, on September 17, 2013, this Board approved Resolution No. R-764-13, which directed that the federal and state legislative packages each be presented to the Board in two separate companion items, one consisting of no more than ten priorities for distribution to the Miami-Dade Legislative Delegation and the other to include guiding principles, Board "urging" resolutions enacted to date and departmental items for approval by the Board; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-764-13 provided that, upon the priorities being approved and effective, incorporating any amendments by the Board, the Chair of the Board, or a County Commissioner designated by the Chair, shall transmit the priorities to the respective federal or state legislative delegation; and

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WHEREAS, the proposed 2015 state legislative priorities are attached to this resolution and incorporated by reference,

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

Section 1. Approves the state legislative priorities for the 2015 session as set forth in the attached.

Section 2. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the state legislative priorities for the 2015 session.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa and the Co-Sponsor is Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan. It was offered by

Commissioner Xavier L. Suarez , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sally A. Heyman and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman				
Bruno A. Barreiro	absent	Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	absent	
Daniella Levine Cava	aye	Jose "Pepe" Diaz	aye	
Audrey M. Edmonson	absent	Sally A. Heyman	aye	
Barbara J. Jordan	absent	Jean Monestime	aye	
Dennis C. Moss	absent	Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye	
Xavier L. Suarez	aye	Juan C. Zapata	absent	

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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 18th day of December, 2014. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

COMMISSION FOR COUNTY C

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.



Jess M. McCarty

Miami-Dade County 2015 State Legislative Priorities

- Reauthorization of the State Enterprise Zone Program: *SUPPORT* the reauthorization of the state Enterprise Zone program for another 10 years.
- Film, Television and Entertainment: SUPPORT incentives for Film, Television and Entertainment that foster economic development and create jobs.
- Medicaid Contributions: OPPOSE any further cost shifts to Miami-Dade county related to county Medicaid contributions and OPPOSE any delay or elimination of the transition to a Medicaid enrollees formula; urging the Florida Association of Counties to identify this issue as one of its priorities.
- Ludlam Trail: Resolution urging the Florida Legislature to provide funding for the acquisition and improvement of the proposed Ludlam Trail Corridor pursuant to the Florida water and land conservation initiative, Florida Constitutional Amendment 1; preliminarily identifying this issue as a critical county priority for the 2015 Session.
- **Equal Pay:** Resolution urging the Florida Legislature to pass "equal pay" laws designed to equalize pay disparities between men and women.
- Medicaid Expansion: Resolution supporting Medicaid expansion in Florida pursuant to the patient protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010; urging the Florida Legislature to enact legislation expanding Medicaid in Florida.
- Elder Meal Program: 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.
- Transportation Funding: SUPPORT increased funding for transit and transportation projects in Miami-Dade County.
- Sadowski Act Affordable Housing Trust Fund: SUPPORT using Sadowski Act
 Affordable Housing Trust Fund revenues, not allocated under the state's
 conservation land buying program, solely for affordable housing; OPPOSE any
 further sweeps to the state general revenue fund.
- Historic County Courthouse Preservation and Restoration: Resolution urging the Florida Legislature to create a program providing state funding for historic county courthouse preservation and restoration.