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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(10).

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

DATE: December 16, 2014

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

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing and directing the County Mayor to allow county employees to donate leave time in this to fiscal year the Community Action Agency Foundation to assist the surviving children of Laquita Alvin who lost her life in a tragic accident on duty as a Miami-Dade County Bus Operator

Resolution No. R-1142-14

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Co-Prime Sponsors Commissioner Dennis C. Moss and Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson.

for

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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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12-16-14

RESOLUTION NO. R-1142-14

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO ALLOW COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO DONATE LEAVE TIME IN THIS FISCAL YEAR TO THE COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY FOUNDATION TO ASSIST THE SURVIVING CHILDREN OF LAQUITA ALVIN WHO LOST HER LIFE IN A TRAGIC ACCIDENT ON DUTY AS A MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BUS OPERATOR

WHEREAS, Laquita Alvin was hired by Miami-Dade Transit in May 2014 and worked as a Bus Operator in the Central Bus Division where she was regarded as a dedicated and promising new employee; and

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2014, Bus Operator Laquita Alvin lost her life while on duty during a tragic accident with the bus she was operating; and

WHEREAS, Laquita Alvin is survived by three children: Terrynisha, Conrad, and Tyquan; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this tragic incident, Bus Operator Laquita Alvin's three children will no longer have the loving presence and support of their mother; and

WHEREAS, thoughtful County employees have expressed a desire to contribute their earned holiday and annual leave to support the children of Laquita Alvin; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners and the County family of employees wish to honor Laquita Alvin for her dedicated public service to this community and to show their support for her surviving children during this time of extreme hardship; and

WHEREAS, the Community Action Agency Foundation (herein after referred to as the "Foundation") is a not-for-profit Florida corporation that assists individuals and families in Miami-Dade County when faced with difficult times in life; and

WHEREAS, County employees that wish to donate annual and holiday leave time to the Foundation to assist the surviving children of Laquita Alvin at this critical time of need should be able to do so; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners wishes to authorize these donations to honor Laquita Alvin for her dedicated public service to this community and to show their support for her surviving children during this time of extreme and loss,

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

Section 1. This Board hereby authorizes and directs the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to allow in this fiscal year the donation by County employees of annual or holiday leave time to the Foundation for the purpose of providing assistance to Laquita Alvin's three children: Terrynisha, Conrad and Tyquan. The maximum donation by the County to the Foundation for this purpose shall be $25,000.

Section 2. The County Mayor or Mayor's designee shall publicize and make available forms for employees to complete in order to authorize such annual and holiday leave contributions. The authorization forms to be distributed by the County Mayor or Mayor's designee should include a statement that the Board of County Commissioners has approved contributions of annual and holiday leave time.

Section 3. This Board directs the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to arrange for the allocation of funds from the various departments whose employees contributed leave time to the Foundation and to designate that such donations are to be used exclusively for assistance to the three children of Laquita Alvin. The County Mayor or Mayor's designee shall give as much notice as possible but in any event at least twenty-four (24) hours notice to this Board of his

intention to present the funds to the Foundation so that all interested members of this Board may attend any such presentation.

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

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 16th 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

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: **Christopher Agrippa**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

Eric A. Rodriguez

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