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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(19)

TO: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: June 2, 2015

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County Mayor to revisit the Miami-Dade Blue Ribbon Advisory Committee report and recommendations titled "Breaking the Cycle: Rehabilitation and Job Training in County Jails" and to prepare and submit an updated report regarding the status of initiatives implemented pursuant to the recommendations in such advisory committee report, and recommending additional actions and initiatives which may further accomplish the Advisory Committee recommendations

Resolution No. R-515-15

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Rebeca Sosa, and Co-Sponsors Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava, Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson, Commissioner Sally A. Heyman and 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**

_____ **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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RESOLUTION NO. R-515-15

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO REVISIT THE MIAMI-DADE BLUE RIBBON ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS TITLED "BREAKING THE CYCLE: REHABILITATION AND JOB TRAINING IN COUNTY JAILS" AND TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN UPDATED REPORT REGARDING THE STATUS OF INITIATIVES IMPLEMENTED PURSUANT TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN SUCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT, AND RECOMMENDING ADDITIONAL ACTIONS AND INITIATIVES WHICH MAY FURTHER ACCOMPLISH THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department operates the eighth largest jail system in the country; and

WHEREAS, national research indicates that "prison educational and vocational programs can improve behavior, reduce recidivism, and increase employment prospects upon release" according to the Re-entry Policy Council, a bipartisan initiative established by the Council of State Governments to improve the likelihood that adults released from correctional facilities will avoid crime and become productive citizens; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-1270-05 created a Blue Ribbon Advisory Committee ("Advisory Committee") to provide this Board with recommendations for additional programs to facilitate the reentry of inmates into the community and to thereby reduce recidivism rates; and

WHEREAS, the Advisory Committee submitted its Final Report to this Board, dated March 28, 2008, entitled "Breaking the Cycle: Rehabilitation & Job Training in County Jails" ("Final Report"); and

WHEREAS, the Final Report provided a roadmap for overcoming challenges of reducing recidivism and contained 22 general and specific recommendations to facilitate the reentry of inmates and thereby reduce recidivism rates; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-675-08 directed the County Mayor to apply for, receive and expend any and all grant monies made available under the Second Chance Act of 2007 for local reentry programs of the type recommended in the Final Report, and Resolution No. R-1064-08 directed the County's federal lobbying team to assist the County Mayor in identifying and applying for such grants; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. R-321-09 created the Miami-Dade Re-entry Council ("Council") in order to allow the County Mayor to apply for, receive, and expend grant funds from the federal government pursuant to the Second Chance Act of 2007; and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2012, Resolution No. R-949-12 directed the County Mayor to review the Final Report and to provide this Board an updated report advising the Board of the status of implemented recommendations, and to inform this Board of additional recommendations developed to accomplish the recommendations in the Final Report; and

WHEREAS, the County Mayor submitted a report to this Board, dated June 6, 2013, that informed this Board of the status of initiatives implemented pursuant to the recommendations in the Final Report and advised that the Council will reconvene and should consider developing updated recommendations to further enhance the original recommendations in the Final Report (the "Status Report"); and

WHEREAS, this Board and the community would benefit from an updated report on the status of the initiatives implemented pursuant to the recommendations in the Final Report,

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

Section 1. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is hereby directed to revisit the following:

1. the Final Report dated March 28, 2008.
2. the Status Report dated June 6, 2013.

Section 2. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is hereby directed to prepare and submit an updated report to advise this Board regarding the status of initiatives implemented pursuant to recommendations in the Final Report and the Status Report and recommending additional actions and initiatives which may further accomplish the recommendations in the Final Report of the Advisory Committee.

Section 3. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee shall provide a written report to this Board within 90 days of the effective date of this resolution and shall place the completed report on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Rebeca Sosa, and the Co-Sponsors are Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava, Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson, Commissioner Sally A. Heyman and Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan. It was offered by Commissioner **José "Pepe" Diaz**, 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:

Jean Monestime, Chairman **aye**
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman **aye**

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 2nd day of June, 2015. 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.

Suzanne Villano-Charif