

MEMORANDUM

Amended
Agenda Item No. 5 (C)

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

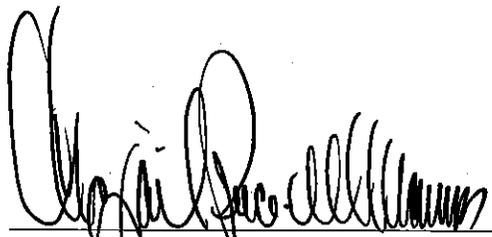
DATE: September 4, 2013

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

SUBJECT: Resolution naming Arcola Park,
located at 1680 Northwest 87th
Street, as the "Sidney Wynn Park
at Arcola," after a public hearing,
and directing the County Mayor
to coordinate with the District 2
Commissioner to install
appropriate signage indicating
designation using District 2
Quality Neighborhoods
Improvement Program (QNIP)
funds

Resolution No. R-672-13

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Jean Monestime.



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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-672-13

RESOLUTION NAMING ARCOLA PARK, LOCATED AT 1680 NORTHWEST 87TH STREET, AS THE "SIDNEY WYNN PARK AT ARCOLA," AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING, AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO COORDINATE WITH THE DISTRICT 2 COMMISSIONER TO INSTALL APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE INDICATING DESIGNATION USING DISTRICT 2 QUALITY NEIGHBORHOODS IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (QNIP) FUNDS

WHEREAS, Sidney Wynn was raised by his maternal grandparents in Miami's Coconut Grove neighborhood after his birth in Ocilla, Georgia to sharecropper parents; and

WHEREAS, Sidney Wynn distinguished himself as a talented multi-sport athlete and competitor throughout his life, having excelled in tennis, golf, basketball, table tennis, football, swimming, fast-pitch softball, volleyball, and even marbles; and

WHEREAS, Sidney Wynn's true athletic passion was for baseball where he played professionally for the independent Coconut Grove Spiders starting in 1940 and, after being drafted to serve in World War II, for the 3rd Army Quartermaster Corps; and

WHEREAS, after his military service ended, Sidney Wynn enrolled in college at Florida Normal and Industrial Institute in St. Augustine—now known as Florida Memorial University—where he played baseball and football; and

WHEREAS, in 1946, Sidney Wynn resumed his professional baseball career, joining the independent Miami Giants, followed by the Palatka Blue Caps of the Negro League; and

WHEREAS, in 1952, Sidney Wynn played shortstop and third base with the Negro League's Kansas City Monarchs, playing with such baseball legends as Hank Aaron, Buck O'Neil, and Josh Gibson; and

WHEREAS, Sidney Wynn's success in baseball was driven by his passion for the sport, not by pursuit of a high salary—at the height of his professional career, he only made \$250 per month, plus what he earned by selling his autograph—or luxury—as an African-American player in segregation-era baseball, Wynn had to stay in segregated hotels and, when traveling with his team, could not use gas-station restrooms; and

WHEREAS, after leaving professional baseball, Sidney Wynn continued to encounter the same racial prejudice through his exclusion from the best private golf clubs, leading him to establish the Miami Golf Connection in 1978, which is now a part of the State Amateur Golf Association; and

WHEREAS, after his life as a professional sportsman, Sidney Wynn returned to his community as a public servant, first as lifeguard at the segregated Virginia Key Beach, then at Joseph C. Carter Park in Fort Lauderdale, and finally at Arcola Park as a recreation manager; and

WHEREAS, before his death on November 22, 2008, at age 84, Sidney Wynn touched many lives at Arcola Park, and his contributions to that park and its users were so significant that Arcola Park was known by many as “Sidney Wynn Park”; and

WHEREAS, by re-naming Arcola Park as “Sidney Wynn Park at Arcola,” this Board desires to make a lasting recognition of Sidney Wynn's contributions to Miami-Dade County as a selfless public servant and exemplary citizen,

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

Section 1. Having considered the matter at a public hearing, desires to honor Sidney Wynn's legacy by naming Arcola Park, located at 1680 Northwest 87th Street, as the “Sidney Wynn Park at Arcola”.

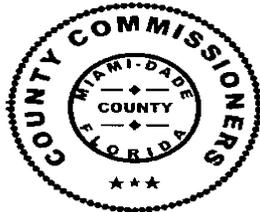
Section 2. Further directs the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to coordinate and work with the Commissioner of District 2 to install an appropriate marker to indicate this designation using District 2 Quality Neighborhoods Improvement Program (QNIP) funds.

Section 3. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to Sidney Wynn's next of kin.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Jean Monestime. It was offered by Commissioner **Jean Monestime**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of September, 2013. 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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Miguel A. Gonzalez