

## **MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(2)

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams County Attorney SUBJECT: Resolution urging President Donald Trump and the United States Congress to reauthorize the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000; supporting amendments to the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000 that would expand the Coral Reef Conservation Program	TO:	Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. and Members, Board of County Commissioners	DATE:	May 2, 2017
	FROM:	County Attorney		President Donald Trump and the United States Congress to reauthorize the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000; supporting amendments to the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000 that would expand the Coral Reef Conservation

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava.

Abigail Price-Williams ( County Attorney

APW/smm



Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget

Budget required

Statement of fiscal impact required

Statement of social equity 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-523-17

RESOLUTION URGING PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO REAUTHORIZE THE CORAL REEF CONSERVATION ACT OF 2000; SUPPORTING AMENDMENTS TO THE CORAL REEF CONSERVATION ACT OF 2000 THAT WOULD EXPAND THE CORAL REEF CONSERVATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000 was developed to promote the wise management and sustainable use of coral reef ecosystems to benefit local communities and the Nation, to assist in the preservation of coral reefs by supporting conservation programs, to provide financial resources for conservation programs and projects, and to establish a formal mechanism for collecting and allocating monetary donations from the private sector to coral reef conservation projects; and

WHEREAS, the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000 authorized appropriations for fiscal years 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 to conduct activities to conserve coral reefs and coral reef

WHEREAS, S. 839, a bill entitled the Coral Reef Conservation Amendments Act of 2013, was introduced by United States Senator Bill Nelson (D-Florida) for consideration during the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress; and

WHEREAS, H.R. 5771, a bill entitled the Conserving Our Reefs and Livelihoods Act of 2016, was introduced by United States Representative Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-Florida) for consideration during the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress; and

WHEREAS, S. 839 and H.R. 5771 would have reauthorized the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000; and

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WHEREAS, reauthorization of the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000 is paramount for ensuring the continued protection of our shorelines, coastal food sources, cultural practices, and coastal economies,

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

Section 1. Urges President Donald Trump and the United States Congress to reauthorize the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000.

Supports amendments to the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000 that would expand the coral reef conservation program.

Section 3. Directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for the legislative action set forth in Section 1 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2017 Federal Legislative Package to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava. It was offered by Commissioner **Dennis C. Moss**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Xavier L. Suarez** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this  $2^{nd}$  day of May, 2017. 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.



Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

Suzanne Villano-Charif

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

## HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

Christopher Agrippa By:\_\_\_\_\_\_ Deputy Clerk