

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(1)

TO: Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

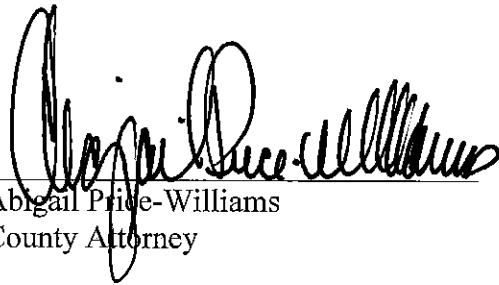
DATE: June 20, 2017

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution expressing support
for the Paris Climate Accord
and expressing an intent to
symbolically join with other
local governments to adopt,
honor and uphold the
commitments to the goals
enshrined in the Paris Climate
Accord

Resolution No. R-646-17

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



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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
- ☐ 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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6-20-17

RESOLUTION NO. R-646-17

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE PARIS CLIMATE
ACCORD AND EXPRESSING AN INTENT TO SYMBOLICALLY
JOIN WITH OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ADOPT, HONOR
AND UPHOLD THE COMMITMENTS TO THE GOALS ENSHRINED
IN THE PARIS CLIMATE ACCORD

WHEREAS, the Paris Climate Accord, also known as the Paris Agreement, is an international agreement within the United Nations Framework on Climate Change; and

WHEREAS, the Paris Climate Accord came out of a pact on December 12, 2015 among representatives of 196 nations, to take action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and slow the rise in global temperatures; and

WHEREAS, by creating a framework for setting climate-related goals and targets for emissions and global temperatures, the Paris Climate Accord intends to foster collaboration and cooperation among countries on climate change issues, which is vital to finding solutions to such issues of global importance; and

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump recently stated that the United States is officially withdrawing from the Paris Climate Accord and will not abide by the United States' previous commitments under the Paris Climate Accord; and

WHEREAS, after President Trump announced that the United States would withdraw from the Paris Climate Accord, over 211 mayors of cities in the United States signed on to a letter

that pledges to “adopt, honor, and uphold the commitments to the goals enshrined in the Paris Agreement,” and to “intensify efforts to meet each of our cities’ current climate goals, push for new action to meet the 1.5 degrees Celsius target, and work together to create a 21st century clean energy economy”; and

WHEREAS, as reported in the *New York Times* on June 1, 2017, other local government leaders, together with universities and businesses, wish to submit their own plan to the United Nations, to meet the United States’ targets for greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County has adopted aggressive countywide targets for greenhouse gas reductions and strategies for implementation, including, but not limited to, through partnership with the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) - Local Governments for Sustainability, the National Association of Counties (NACo) Cool Counties initiative commitments, Miami-Dade County’s GreenPrint sustainability plan and the various energy-related legislation adopted by this Board; and

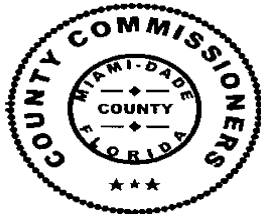
WHEREAS, this Board wishes to express its support for the Paris Climate Accord and symbolically join with other local governments within the United States to adopt, honor, and uphold the commitments to the goals of the Paris Climate Accord,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby expresses its support for the Paris Climate Accord and expresses an intent to symbolically join other local governments within the United States to adopt, honor and uphold the commitments to the goals enshrined in the Paris Climate Accord.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava. It was offered by Commissioner **Daniella Levine Cava**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Audrey M. Edmonson** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 20th day of June, 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.



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.

Abbie Schwaderer-Raurell