

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(31)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** October 3, 2019

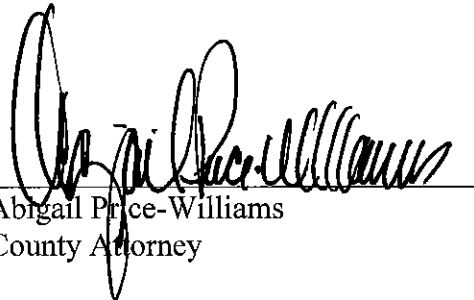
**FROM:** Abigail Price-Williams  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging the Florida  
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other emergency personnel to: (i)  
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combat such threats; and (iii)  
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Resolution No. R-1099-19

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Vice Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa.



Abigail Price-Williams  
County Attorney

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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 present \_\_\_\_, 2/3 membership \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) \_\_\_\_, or CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c)(2) \_\_\_\_) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

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Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

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10-3-19

RESOLUTION NO. R-1099-19

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ALLOCATE DEDICATED FUNDING TO TRAIN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, FIRST RESPONDERS AND OTHER EMERGENCY PERSONNEL TO: (I) PREPARE FOR TERROR ATTACKS AND MASS SHOOTINGS; (II) IDENTIFY AND COMBAT SUCH THREATS; AND (III) TREAT THE VICTIMS OF SAID ACTS

**WHEREAS**, over the last several years, there have been hundreds of terror attacks around the world, including acts of domestic terrorism, that resulted in thousands of deaths and injuries; and

**WHEREAS**, although terror attacks are often the work of extremist and anti-government groups and most commonly involve explosives and armed assaults, terrorist acts could be committed by any individual or group using any weapon of choice; and

**WHEREAS**, according to 2018 Global Terrorism Index (“GTI”), a report compiled by the Institute of Economics and Peace using data from University of Maryland’s Center for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism, 18,814 people were killed by acts of terror in 2017, which was a 44 percent decrease since 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, additionally, the GTI reports that 67 countries experienced at least one death caused by an act of terrorism; and

**WHEREAS**, although there has been a considerable overall decline in global terror attacks, terrorism is still widespread and is worsening in some regions; and

**WHEREAS**, for instance, the Federal Bureau of Investigation reports that domestic terrorism in the United States is on the rise; and

**WHEREAS**, despite being generally insulated from terrorism, the West - the United States, Canada, Australia, and European Countries - is combating an increase in threats and actual terror attacks; and

**WHEREAS**, as demonstrated by recent attacks in New Zealand, France, and the United States, the threat of terror to the West is evolving rapidly and becoming decentralized and diffused; and

**WHEREAS**, in the event of a terror attack or mass shooting the people of the State of Florida would rely on police officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, physicians, nurses, military personnel, other first responders, and rescue and recovery workers to assist with restoring normalcy and vital services to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, as such and in light of the continued and growing threat of terror attacks and mass shootings throughout the nation and in the state, it is imperative and pragmatic for the State to be prepared for the worst case scenarios caused by terror attacks and mass shootings; and

**WHEREAS**, terrorism and mass shootings are real and present threats to the peace, health and security of residents of and visitors to Florida and advance preparation to defeat such threats could save lives and thwart or reduce the detrimental consequences that often accompany such acts of terror,

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

**Section 1.** Urges the Florida Legislature to allocate dedicated funding to train law enforcement, first responders and other emergency personnel to; (I) prepare for terror attacks and mass shootings; (II) identify and combat such threats; and (III) treat the victims of said acts.

**Section 2.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, and the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation.

**Section 3.** Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the action set forth in section 1 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2020 State Legislative Package when it is presented to this Board.

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

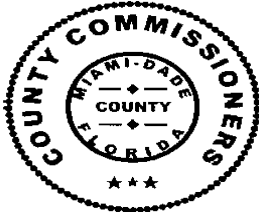
Audrey M. Edmonson, Chairwoman	aye		
Rebeca Sosa, Vice Chairwoman	aye		
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	aye	Daniella Levine Cava	aye
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	aye	Sally A. Heyman	aye
Eileen Higgins	aye	Barbara J. Jordan	aye
Joe A. Martinez	aye	Jean Monestime	aye
Dennis C. Moss	aye	Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye
Xavier L. Suarez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

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2019. 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

**Linda L. Cave**  
By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk



Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "SAG", written over a horizontal line.

Shanika A. Graves