

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 3(A)(1)

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

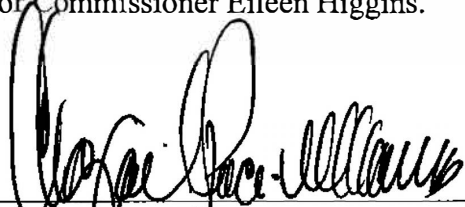
DATE: October 3, 2019

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the state
road codesignation of N.W. 37th
Avenue between N.W. 2nd Street
and N.W. 11th Street as
"Florence Hecht Lane"

Resolution No. R-994-19

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



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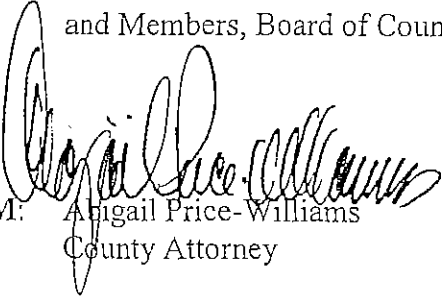
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Please note any items checked.

- "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

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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10-3-19

RESOLUTION NO. R-994-19

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STATE ROAD
CODESIGNATION OF N.W. 37TH AVENUE BETWEEN N.W.
2ND STREET AND N.W. 11TH STREET AS “FLORENCE
HECHT LANE”

WHEREAS, during the 2019 regular session, the Florida Legislature passed House Bill (HB) 385, which codesignated that portion of N.W. 37th Avenue between N.W. 2nd Street and N.W. 11th Street as “Florence Hecht Lane”; and

WHEREAS, born in Boston, Massachusetts on November 1, 1916, Florence Ruth Hecht attended and graduated from Smith College in 1937; and

WHEREAS, after settling in South Florida, she and her husband, Isadore Hecht, became owners of the Flagler Dog Track, now the Magic City Casino; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hecht and her husband were longtime civic and philanthropic leaders in our community, giving their time to, and funding, a number of worthy causes; and

WHEREAS, in 1973, she helped establish the Jewish Museum of Florida; and

WHEREAS, a longtime member of the University of Miami Board of Trustees, Ms. Hecht is perhaps most recognized by the building on campus bearing her name—the Florence Ruth Hecht Residential College, which was established as the university’s first residential college in 1986 as a result of her generosity; and

WHEREAS, nothing pleased Ms. Hecht more than serving the traditional midnight breakfast to university students at the residence halls during final exams week; and

WHEREAS, as one university official noted, students adored seeing her and, upon reading her name tag, would often ask her if she was *really* Florence Hecht for whom the college was named, to which she enjoyed replying, “of course”; and

WHEREAS, the Hecht family’s dedication to the University of Miami is evident by the numerous campus facilities and scholarships bearing the family name, including the athletic center, named for her late husband; and

WHEREAS, during her time as a member of the board of trustees, Ms. Hecht served on the executive, academic affairs, athletic advisory, government affairs and public policy, student affairs, and university advancement committees, as well as on visiting committees for the College of Arts and Sciences, Frost School of Music, and the Schools of Communication and Education; and

WHEREAS, according to fellow board of trustees member Leonard Abess, “Florence was larger than life, tough as nails, and philanthropic,” as well as “a doting and loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother”; and

WHEREAS, as Mr. Abess continued, “[h]er children and grandchildren, of whom she was so proud, carry on her legacy of leadership and caring,” and “[i]n the half century I knew her she always demanded I do my best, and no one said no to Florence”; and

WHEREAS, as her daughter Barbara Havenick explained, Ms. Hecht inspired others and infected all around her “with her smile and zest for life,” and “[s]he lived life always believing that part of her work was to leave her community a much stronger place”; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her philanthropic work, Ms. Hecht was very involved in the cultural arts, and would be found in the best seat in the house for any performance, which led her grandchildren to lovingly call her “Front Row Flo”; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hecht passed away on August 24, 2012 at the age of 95; and

WHEREAS, section 334.071, Florida Statutes, provides that once a state road codesignation has been made by the Florida Legislature, the installation of state road designation signs shall be contingent on the applicable county or city commission passing a resolution in support of the particular honorary road designation; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of Ms. Hecht's contributions to the community, this Board would like to honor her by approving the state codesignation; and

WHEREAS, N.W. 37th Avenue between N.W. 2nd Street and N.W. 11th Street is a County-maintained road located within the City of Miami and Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, N.W. 37th Avenue constitutes the boundary between County Commission Districts 5 and 6,

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

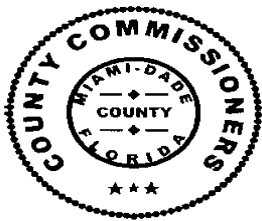
Section 1. Approves the state road codesignation of N.W. 37th Avenue between N.W. 2nd Street and N.W. 11th Street in Miami-Dade County as "Florence Hecht Lane".

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to send certified copies of this Resolution to the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation, the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami, the Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation, the United States Postal Service, the Traffic Signals and Signs Division of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, the Development Services Division of the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department, the Miami-Dade County Police Department, the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department, the City of Miami Police Department, and the City of Miami Fire-Rescue Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Vice Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa and the Co-Sponsor is Commissioner Eileen Higgins. 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 the resolution duly passed and adopted this 3rd 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.

James Eddie Kirtley

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