



**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
2023 STATE LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE**

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTIONS

R-1000-21: RESOLUTION URGING (1) THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION OF FOUR PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES FOR THE LUDLAM TRAIL OVER THE FOLLOWING INTERSECTIONS ALONG THE LUDLAM TRAIL: FLAGLER STREET; SW 8TH STREET; CORAL WAY; AND BIRD ROAD (THE "LUDLAM TRAIL PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES"); (2) THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ("FDOT") TO, SUBJECT TO THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDING, INCLUDE FUNDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE LUDLAM TRAIL PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES IN THE APPROPRIATE CURRENT AND FUTURE FDOT FIVE-YEAR WORK PROGRAMS; AND (3) THE MIAMI-DADE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION TO TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTIONS, SUCH AS AMENDING ITS LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, TO PRIORITIZE THE DEVELOPMENT, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE LUDLAM TRAIL PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES

R-1001-21: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR HIGH-SPEED FIBER INFRASTRUCTURE ALONG THE LUDLAM TRAIL

R-1123-21: RESOLUTION URGING (1) THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION OF VISION ZERO PROJECTS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; (2) THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ("FDOT") TO, SUBJECT TO THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDING, INCLUDE FUNDING FOR SUCH VISION ZERO PROJECTS IN THE APPROPRIATE CURRENT AND FUTURE FDOT FIVE-YEAR WORK PROGRAMS; AND (3) THE MIAMI-DADE

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION TO TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTIONS, SUCH AS AMENDING ITS LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, TO PRIORITIZE THE DEVELOPMENT, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION OF VISION ZERO PROJECTS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

R-1198-21: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO EXPAND THE LOCAL OPTION FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX, WHICH PROCEEDS ARE USED FOR THE PROVISION OF HOMELESS SERVICES, SHELTER AND HOUSING AND THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF NEW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTERS, TO INCLUDE FOOD AND BEVERAGE SALES IN BAL HARBOUR VILLAGE, THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, AND THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE WHICH ARE CURRENTLY EXEMPT; WAIVING RESOLUTION NO. R-764-13 LIMITING THE NUMBER OF STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES AND AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-995-21 TO INCLUDE THIS ITEM AS AN ADDITIONAL STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY FOR THE 2022 SESSION; PRELIMINARILY IDENTIFYING THIS ITEM AS A PRIORITY FOR THE 2023 SESSION; URGING BAL HARBOUR VILLAGE, THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, AND THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE TO SUPPORT THE COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE EFFORTS TO EXPAND THE LOCAL OPTION FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX; AND AUTHORIZING THE MEMBERS OF THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OVERSIGHT BOARD TO LOBBY THOSE MUNICIPALITIES FOR THAT PURPOSE

R-184-22: RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXPEDITIOUSLY DEVELOP A PROPOSED REASONABLE ASSURANCE PLAN PURSUANT TO STATE PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES FOR SUCH A PLAN; AND URGING THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (FDEP) TO EXPEDITIOUSLY APPROVE SUCH REASONABLE ASSURANCE PLAN, THROUGH THE ADOPTION OF A FINAL ORDER, AFTER THE COUNTY SUBMITS SUCH PLAN TO FDEP FOR APPROVAL

R-268-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ("FDOT") TO OPEN THE BRIDGE ON NW 154TH STREET OVER INTERSTATE-75 TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO (1) TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO OPEN THE BRIDGE ON NW 154TH STREET OVER INTERSTATE-75 TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC, INCLUDING EXAMINING WHETHER ANY OF THE PERMITTING JURISDICTION PROVIDED BY

COUNTY CODE COULD BE EXERCISED FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND PARTNERING WITH FDOT AND OTHER APPROPRIATE OR NECESSARY AGENCIES; AND (2) TO PROVIDE REPORT

R-494-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION REGULATING ODORS FROM THE CULTIVATION AND PROCESSING OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA OR TO ALLOW LOCAL GOVERNMENTS THE ABILITY TO ENACT SUCH REGULATIONS

R-495-22: RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, THE CITY OF HIALEAH, AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO IDENTIFY LEGALLY AVAILABLE FUNDING SOURCES FROM WITHIN THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 COUNTY BUDGET THAT INDEPENDENTLY OR COMBINED MAY BE UTILIZED TO FUND THE COUNTY'S OBLIGATIONS IDENTIFIED IN THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND, TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY, INCLUDE ANY ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN THE COUNTY MAYOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023, AND FUTURE FISCAL YEARS AS NECESSARY; AND URGING (1) THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS AND THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ON-RAMPS ONTO THE GRATIGNY EXPRESSWAY AT N.W. 67TH AVENUE AND ON-RAMPS ONTO INTERSTATE-75 AT N.W. 154TH STREET (THE "ON-RAMPS"), (2) THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ("FDOT") TO, SUBJECT TO THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDING, INCLUDE FUNDING FOR THE ON-RAMPS IN THE APPROPRIATE CURRENT AND FUTURE FDOT FIVE-YEAR WORK PROGRAMS, AND (3) THE MIAMI-DADE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION TO TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTIONS, SUCH AS AMENDING ITS LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, TO INCLUDE FUNDING IN THE APPROPRIATE CURRENT AND FUTURE FDOT FIVE-YEAR WORK PROGRAMS FOR THE ON-RAMPS [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 221133]

R-559-22: RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COUNTY POLICY RELATED TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICE OF CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO INVENTORY COUNTY EMPLOYEES, ASSETS, EQUIPMENT, CONTRACTS, GRANTS AND LICENSES USED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO CREATE A TRANSITION PLAN AND DRAFT AGREEMENTS FOR THE TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FINANCE DEPARTMENT TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL

OFFICE OF CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT; PROVIDING FOR REPORTS TO THE BOARD; DIRECTING THE OFFICE OF POLICY AND BUDGETARY AFFAIRS TO STUDY THE OPERATION OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE 10 LARGEST COUNTIES; AND URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO DIVIDE THE DUTIES OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT INTO TWO OFFICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION

R-592-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ALLOCATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING AND DELEGATE ADDITIONAL POWERS TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION RELATED TO HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS; FURTHER URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO CREATE A HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION OMBUDSMAN

R-715-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO EFFECTUATE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DRIVER LICENSE SUSPENSION TASK FORCE, INCLUDING (1) LEGISLATION THAT WOULD MINIMIZE OR ELIMINATE DRIVER LICENSE SUSPENSIONS OF NON-DANGEROUS DRIVERS DUE TO FAILURE TO PAY CERTAIN FINES, COURT-RELATED FEES, SERVICE CHARGES, OR OTHER COSTS, (2) LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND COURTS TO IMPOSE FEES AND COSTS BASED ON AN INDIVIDUAL'S ABILITY TO PAY, (3) LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ISSUE CIVIL CITATIONS TO NON-DANGEROUS DRIVERS WHO KNOWINGLY DRIVE WITH A SUSPENDED LICENSE WHERE THAT SUSPENSION IS THE RESULT OF NON-PAYMENT OF CERTAIN FINES, COURT-RELATED FEES, SERVICE CHARGES, OR OTHER COSTS, AND (4) LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF AN INTEGRATED PORTAL WHERE ALL COURT-RELATED FINES, FEES, AND DEBTS ACROSS THE STATE OWED BY AN INDIVIDUAL CAN BE AGGREGATED INTO A SINGLE OR STREAMLINED PAYMENT PLAN

R-717-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO EXPEDITE, TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, CAPITAL POSTCONVICTION PROCEEDINGS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE COMMITTED A MASS SHOOTING

R-838-22: RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO (1) DEVELOP PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY WITH RESPECT TO OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF MUNICIPAL STORMWATER SYSTEMS, (2) DEVELOP NEW STANDARDS FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF MUNICIPAL STORMWATER SYSTEMS, (3) EXPAND THE COUNTY'S ASSET

MANAGEMENT SYSTEM TO INCLUDE STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE, AND (4) CONDUCT EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGNS RELATED TO BISCAYNE BAY, AND TO PROVIDE REPORTS WITH RESPECT TO THE FOREGOING; URGING MUNICIPALITIES TO CONDUCT EDUCATIONAL CAMPAIGNS RELATED TO BISCAYNE BAY; AND URGING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TO STRENGTHEN REQUIREMENTS AND INCREASE AUDITING AND ENFORCEMENT OF ITS NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMITS FOR MUNICIPAL STORMWATER SYSTEMS

R-856-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO EXPAND PUBLIC RECORDS EXEMPTIONS RELATING TO MURDER INVESTIGATIONS IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE IDENTITY AND STATEMENTS OF WITNESSES AND KEY DETAILS OF THE CRIME FOR A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME

R-857-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION EXPANDING THE LIST OF PARTIES ENTITLED TO NOTICE OF A TAX DEED SALE TO INCLUDE PARTIES WITH A REVERSIONARY INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY

R-858-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ESTABLISH A RESILIENCE REVOLVING LOAN FUND AND TAKE SUCH FURTHER ACTION AS IS NECESSARY TO MAKE FLORIDA ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A CAPITALIZATION GRANT UNDER THE FEDERAL STORM ACT

R-955-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO ALLOW THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES TO GRANT LOCAL INSPECTOR GENERAL AGENCIES ACCESS TO RECORDS OF DRIVER LICENSE PHOTOGRAPHS AND SIGNATURES FROM THE DRIVER AND VEHICLE INFORMATION DATABASE

R-956-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ENACT ADDITIONAL LEGISLATION TO CLARIFY THAT PUBLIC LODGING ESTABLISHMENTS MAY NOT CHARGE HOURLY RATES OR RATES OF LESS OR MORE THAN ONE HOUR OR OTHER FRACTIONAL INCREMENTS, AND TO PERMIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENFORCE THE STATUTORY PROHIBITION RELATING TO SUCH RATES

R-958-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO CREATE A STATE-FUNDED FILM REBATE PROGRAM TO INCENTIVIZE THE FILM, TELEVISION, AND DIGITAL INDUSTRY

R-959-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION EXPANDING THE ABILITY OF COURTS TO INQUIRE INTO AND DETERMINE A CRIMINAL DEFENDANT'S FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND ABILITY TO PAY, AND AUTHORIZING COURTS TO WAIVE, SUSPEND OR MODIFY THE PAYMENT OF LEGAL FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS BASED ON THE DEFENDANT'S ABILITY TO PAY

R-960-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES TO OPEN AN ADDITIONAL DRIVER LICENSE SERVICE CENTER IN SOUTH DADE

R-1016-22: RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO INCREASE FINES RELATED TO DISABLED PARKING ENFORCEMENT AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR THE CREATION OF A SPECIALIZED DISABLED PARKING ENFORCEMENT UNIT AND REQUIRING A REPORT

DEPARTMENTAL REQUESTS BY POLICY AREA

Policy Area: Transportation and Ports

Miami-Dade Aviation Department

- **Funding of Capital Projects:** ***SUPPORT*** full funding of Aviation capital projects included in the Florida Department of Transportation's Five Year Work Program. ***OPPOSE*** any efforts to reduce or redirect funds in the Work Program.
- **Reduction or Suspension of Existing Aviation Fuel Taxes:** ***OPPOSE*** efforts to waive, reduce or suspend existing aviation fuel taxes on a local or statewide basis.
- **Reduction or Elimination of Tax on Aircraft Sales and Leases:** ***SUPPORT*** efforts to reduce or eliminate state's sales tax on the sale or lease of all aircrafts in Florida.

PortMiami

- **Florida Port Council's Legislative Agenda:** ***SUPPORT*** the Florida Port Council's efforts in securing dedicated state and federal funding sources for Florida seaports. Additionally, ensure that PortMiami infrastructure projects are included in the Florida Department of Transportation's Five Year Work Program.
- **Perishable Initiative:** ***SUPPORT*** efforts to increase perishable shipments to PortMiami that comply with USDA approved on-port cold treatment by working with State Department of Agriculture and port stakeholders to develop appropriate protocols to allow for expanded importation.

Department of Transportation and Public Works

- **Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan:** ***SUPPORT*** funding for the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan.
- **North Corridor:** ***SUPPORT*** the Florida Department of Transportation's designation of the North Corridor of the Strategic Miami Area Rapid Transit (SMART) Plan as part of the State Strategic Intermodal System.

- **Transportation Infrastructure Project Funding:** *SUPPORT* legislation that provides opportunities for increased and alternative revenue sources for transportation infrastructure projects. DTPW wants to ensure that increased level of funding be allocated to public transportation projects.
- **Vision Zero safety improvements:** *SUPPORT* matching funding for safety projects designed to protect from injuries and fatalities at County identified high injury locations.
- **The Underline trail:** *SUPPORT* \$2.5 million in funding to finalize the construction of the 10-mile Underline greenway mobility-multi-modal corridor. The funding will provide for site furniture, drinking fountains, required signage, bike repair stations, Wi-Fi and amenities ineligible through traditional funding sources
- **South Dade Trail:** *SUPPORT* \$3 million in funding to plan, design and create improvements along the South Dade Trail's 20-mile multi-modal corridor providing non-motorized connections to multiple greenways and trails, running parallel to the South Dade Transitway Bus Rapid Transit.
- **Card Sound Road safety improvements:** *SUPPORT* funding of \$300,000 for safety improvements on Card Sound Road to support critical evacuation route.

Policy Area: Environment and Resilience

Parks, Recreation, and Open Spaces

- **Zoo Miami:** *SUPPORT* funding in the amount of \$500,000 towards the expansion/renovation of the animal hospital and rehabilitation facilities to provide medical care to endangered wildlife during disasters such as hurricanes.
- **Biscayne-Everglades Greenway:** *SUPPORT* funding in the amount of \$2.5 million to secure matching funds for Biscayne Trail Segment D Phase 1 and 2 between SW 328 St. and SW 137 Ave. in design, construction, construction engineering and inspection (CEI) phases.

Regulatory and Economic Resources *(RER Priorities)*

- **Beach Erosion Control: *SUPPORT*** consistent and dedicated annual funding for statewide beach erosion control. (DERM)
- **Biscayne Shores 1 and 2 Stormwater Pump Stations Retrofit & Improvements: *SUPPORT*** funding in the amount of \$2 million for the construction of a project for hardening as well as water quality and water quantity improvements for both pump stations. Upgrades will include making changes so the two pump stations can operate independently from each other (currently both stations are tethered to each). These pump stations are located at NE 109 Street and NE 110 Street on Bayshore Drive, respectively.
- **County-Wide Inflow Assessment: *SUPPORT*** funding in the amount of \$1 million to assist Miami-Dade County in identifying and addressing sewage system infiltration experienced during rain storm events that cause significant strain on the 16 utilities and three regional wastewater treatment plants.
- **Avocado industry help with Laurel Wilt: *SUPPORT*** matching funding in the amount \$150,000 for the mitigation and eradication, prevention, and treatment of Avocado Laurel Wilt Disease.
- **Lychee industry help with Lychee Erinose Mite: *SUPPORT*** funding in the amount of \$500,000 for the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Lychee Erinose Mite (LEM) mitigation program.
- **Entertainment Production High Wage Job Creation Inducement Fund: *SUPPORT*** matching funding in the amount of \$1 million for an Entertainment Production High Wage Job Creation Inducement Fund to increase Entertainment Production in Miami-Dade County and the State of Florida for high wage entertainment industry jobs.

(Additional Requests)

- **Building Inspections: *MONITOR*** any amendments to the requirements for building inspections in section 553, Florida Statutes.
- **Digital Submittals and E-Signatures: *SUPPORT*** language that allows for digital final plats and e-signature on final plats.

- **Septic Systems:** *SUPPORT* sustained funding to address failing septic systems and convert compromised septic systems to centralized sewer infrastructure in order to protect public health and water quality.
- **Structural Elevations:** *SUPPORT* funding to assist property owners with structural elevations in areas vulnerable to chronic flooding in order to reduce safety and health risks from flood events and reduce property damage.
- **Aggregated Whole-Building Data:** *SUPPORT* requirements for all utilities to collect aggregated whole-building data local governments' largest buildings (20,000 square feet and above for government-owned buildings and 50,000 square feet and above for private sector buildings) and provide this data to building owners or managers and local government representatives.
- **Net Metering:** *SUPPORT* existing Net Metering policies for the development of mandatory standards establishing net metering practices for renewable energy generation. *OPPOSE* any actions policies weakening existing policies or practices.
- **Commercial Buildings Energy Tax Deduction:** *SUPPORT* the restoration of the benefit-sharing provisions under the Commercial Building Energy Tax Deduction 179d.
- **Viability of Local Agricultural Industry:** *SUPPORT* funding, programs, legislation and assistance to increase the viability of our local agricultural industry and mitigate any effects of invasive pests, disease, freezes, flooding, windstorm and other potential damages to our said industry should the need arise.
- **State Entertainment Production Job Creation program:** *SUPPORT* creating a new State Entertainment Production Job Creation program for the film and entertainment industry.
- **Planning Objectives:** *OPPOSE* any bill filed that would preempt or prevent local governments from accomplishing planning objectives protected under local home rule authority.
- **Pre-existing Zoning Approvals:** *OPPOSE* language that would require Miami-Dade County or municipalities within to recognize pre-existing zoning approvals in the local government's comprehensive plan.
- **Comprehensive Plan Amendments:** *OPPOSE* any language that would preempt local governments from requiring a supermajority vote to amend comprehensive plans.

- **Impact Fees:** *OPPOSE* language that would repeal or preempt local impact fee regulations.
- **Agricultural Land Uses:** *OPPOSE* language promoting the conversion of agricultural land for urban uses or restricting local government review of such applications.
- **Local Licensing:** *SUPPORT* lifting the preemption of local licensing in section 489.117, Florida Statutes
- **Local Licensing of Locksmiths:** *SUPPORT* lifting the local licensing preemption in section 163.211, Florida Statutes, as it relates to locksmiths.
- **Local issuance of specialty licenses:** *SUPPORT* allowing local jurisdictions to continue issuing local specialty licenses in categories of work requiring a permit in Florida.
- **Maintain 25% roofing rule:** *SUPPORT* maintaining 25% roofing rule that passed during the 2022 special session that allows for repairs to roofs that meet Florida Building Code without triggering entire roof replacement.
- **State Contractors:** *MONITOR* any legislative changes that may affect how Board of Rules and Appeals (BORA) can regulate State Contractors with respect to willful violations of the code, i.e., failure to get mandatory inspection – expired permits.

Department of Solid Waste Management

- **Waste-to-Energy:** *SUPPORT* language pertaining to renewable energy by expanding the definition of “customer-owned renewable generation” to allow government owned waste-to-energy facilities utilizing municipal solid waste as fuel to transmit the energy generated from the waste-to-energy facility to a site that is not adjacent to the facility.
- **Contamination of Recyclable Material:** *SUPPORT* the repeal of HB 73 passed during the 2020 session requiring counties and municipalities to address the contamination of recyclable material in contracts for the collection, transportation, and processing of residential recyclable material.
- **Recycling Goal Credits:** *MONITOR* language relating to sections 403.7032 and 366.91, Florida Statutes, which pertain to municipal solid waste utilized for the production of renewable energy counting toward Florida’s long-term recycling goal.

- **Florida Litter Law:** *SUPPORT* legislation that amends the Florida Litter law to allow the clerk of the courts to add the name of a violator for failure to pay civil penalties to the Tax Collector under section 320.03, Florida Statutes.
- **Shopping Cart Removal Fee:** *SUPPORT* language re-imposing an administrative fee to cover the cost of collection and storage of shopping carts removed from the public right-of-way.
- **Compensation of Private Waste Companies:** *SUPPORT* language that repeals the requirement of local governments to compensate private companies for displacement.
- **Volkswagen Grant Program:** *SUPPORT* language amending the Volkswagen grant program to include the purchase of public sector electric heavy equipment, such as waste collection and transfer vehicles, as eligible expenditures.
- **Equitable Allocation of Grants:** *SUPPORT* language that would require equitable allocation of solid waste grants, utilizing population-based methodology, for programs such as litter control and prevention and electronics recycling that are funded through the waste tire fee.
- **Mattress Recycling Program:** *SUPPORT* legislation to implement a statewide mandatory disposal fee to be charged at the time of mattress purchases to fund a mattress recycling program.
- **Heavy Fleet Purchase of a Fully Electric Automated Side Loading Garbage Truck and Charging Station:** *SUPPORT* funding for a fully electric garbage truck to test the capabilities of the technology which include zero emissions “energy-from-waste”, reduced equipment noise, and the elimination of fuel and engine oil leaks during transport.
- **Mosquito Control environmental best practices through larviciding:** *SUPPORT* funding for specialized truck-based equipment for broadcast spraying of environmentally safe anti-mosquito larvicides for control and prevention of mosquito-borne diseases.

Water and Sewer Department

- **Energy Optimization at Wastewater Facilities:** *SUPPORT* funding in the amount of \$1 million to upgrade and expand electrical metering and data analytics at wastewater facilities. The total cost of the project is \$1.5 million.

- **Water Facility Security Improvements:** *SUPPORT* funding in the amount \$2.2 million for security upgrades at water facilities including water treatment plants, wellfields, and pumping stations. The total cost of this project is \$4.4 million
- **Homeowner assistance to connect to sanitary sewers:** *SUPPORT* funding in the amount of \$1 million to help homeowners with the private property cost of constructing and connecting to sanitary sewer laterals.
- **Funding for Water and Sewer Projects:** *SUPPORT* increased funding for water and sewer projects in Miami-Dade County given that Miami-Dade County is a donor county.

Policy Area: Community Services

Animal Services Department

- **Kittens Thrive in the 305:** *SUPPORT* matching funds in the amount of \$200,000 to support neonatal support for rescued kittens so they survive to an age where they're adoptable by the public.
- **K-9 Behavioral Enrichment:** *SUPPORT* matching funds in the amount of \$250,000 to provide for behavioral training that will improve adoption outcomes for more dogs in Miami-Dade's animal shelter.

Community Action and Human Services Department

- **Elder In-home Care Backlog:** *SUPPORT* funding to reduce the backlog of 5000 needy seniors seeking help remaining independent and healthy through home care.
- **Weatherization Assistance Program expansion:** *SUPPORT* matching funds in the amount of \$4 million for programs to improve the preservation of naturally occurring affordable housing through investments in energy efficiency improvements for lower income homeowners.
- **Senior Meals Program:** *SUPPORT* funding of \$2 million in matching funds to support senior meals for needy older residents.

- **Increase Access to Opioid Treatment:** *SUPPORT* funding in the amount of \$1.24 million to serve Opioid Disorder Use clients. This allocation will provide for 14 beds and expand outpatient treatment for Opioid Use Disorder clients, reducing waitlists and delayed entry into the Drug Court Diversion and Treatment Program. This funding will also include three new counselors, treatment for an additional 120 clients, and provide 8,000 more screenings per year.
- **CSBG State matching funds:** *SUPPORT* legislation to establish a matching program for the State's allocation of Federal Community Services Block Grant funding to increase the number of families in need supported through CSBG programs.

Cultural Affairs Department

- **Cultural Affairs Grants:** *SUPPORT* legislation that would increase funding for statewide cultural affairs program grants.

Homeless Trust

- **Local Option Food and Beverage Tax:** *SUPPORT* expanding the Local Option Food and Beverage Tax to include sales in currently exempted municipalities of Bal Harbour Village, the City of Miami Beach, and the Town of Surfside.
- **Housing First Mental Health Program:** *SUPPORT* funding in the amount of \$562,000. This provides Rapid Rehousing (RRH), a short- to medium-term rental assistance program which offers supportive services to permanently house severely mentally ill homeless persons with a history of arrest and frequent police interactions.
- **Challenge Grant:** *SUPPORT* maintaining Challenge Grant funding for continuum of care Statewide at \$3.1 million or better
- **Continuum of Care Lead Agency Staffing Grants:** *SUPPORT* statewide funding in the amount of \$5.14 million in Continuum of Care Lead Agency Staffing Grants and restoration of Homeless Housing Assistance Grant to \$5.25 million or better.

- **Revise the Florida Mental Health Act:** *SUPPORT* language that revises chapter 394, Florida Statutes, regarding Mental and Substance Abuse known as the Florida Mental Health Act.

Internal Services – Disability Equity (ADA Office)

- **Reign in abuses of Handicapped Parking Placards:** *SUPPORT* legislation that would curtail abuses of handicapped parking placards to ensure that people with legitimate disabilities are assured access to disabled parking locations.
- **Require access for disabled in new home construction:** *SUPPORT* legislation that adopts “visitability” concepts for designing and constructing homes so that they avoid unnecessary barriers to people with disabilities in new construction.

Public Housing and Community Development

- **Community Workforce Housing Loan Program:** *SUPPORT* legislation amending state law to allow housing projects targeting households with incomes up to 120 percent of area median income to participate in the community workforce housing program.
- **Sadowski Affordable Housing Act/Housing Trust Fund:** *SUPPORT* legislation which would increase the funding available under the Sadowski Housing Trust Fund for affordable housing projects in Miami-Dade County.
- **Allow Counties to Establish Income Rent Limits for Housing Programs within their jurisdictions:** *SUPPORT* legislation that allows counties to set income and rent limits for affordable and workforce housing programs within their jurisdiction consistent with those set by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation.
- **Public Defenders and State’s Attorney qualifying for Hometown Heroes:** *SUPPORT* legislation amending the “Hometown Heroes” down payment assistance program to include income qualifying employees of the Public Defenders Office and State’s Attorney Office.

Library Department

- **State Aid to Public Libraries:** *SUPPORT* increased funding for the State Aid to Libraries Program to an overall total of \$21.2 million.

- **Public Library Construction Grant Program:** *SUPPORT* full funding of all projects eligible for the Public Library Construction Grant Program in the amount of \$10.2 million.

Policy Area: Public Safety

Miami-Dade Police Department

- **Release of Information by Florida Department of Law Enforcement to Local Law Enforcement Relating to the Lawfulness of a Firearm Sale or Transfer:** *SUPPORT* authorizing the release of information to local law enforcement regarding a person's mental "defectiveness" with regard to the ability to possess and purchase firearms.
- **Broaden qualification of surviving family members eligible for Special Risk Class pension benefits:** *SUPPORT* legislation to allow for any surviving family member of a public servant who dies in the line of duty to receive the total value of that benefit.
- **Anti-violence initiatives:** *SUPPORT* for matching funding for Miami-Dade Peace and Prosperity programs to reduce community violence and support communities suffering its disproportionate impacts.
- **Enforcement of Unlicensed Medical Recovery Centers** *SUPPORT* enhancing penalties for operators of unlicensed medical recovery centers. These unlicensed recovery centers present a significant risk for patients recovering from surgeries, create a community nuisance, and often contribute to unsanitary conditions and illegal dumping challenges.
- **Enforcement of State litter laws:** *SUPPORT* providing law enforcement with greater latitude for misdemeanor violations of the State litter law to allow for officers to effect arrests for illegal dumping violations not directly witnessed by a law enforcement officer.

Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department

- **Fire Rescue Mobile Command Center:** *SUPPORT* funding in the amount of \$1.2 million for replacement of MDFR command center 1995 Blue Bird bus with a more functionally reliable and modernized command center for more effective disaster response coordination.

- **Medicaid Supplemental Payments:** ***SUPPORT*** funding in the amount of \$180.5 million for the continuation of the supplemental payment program for Medicaid Public Emergency Medical Transportation (PEMT).

Corrections and Rehabilitation Department

- **Include Corrections Officers in Special Risk Class for DROP:** ***SUPPORT*** legislation to include correctional officers in the DROP definition for Special Risk Class to specifically allow correctional officers to participate in the extension of up to 36 calendar months of the DROP beyond the current 60-month period.

Policy Area: Finance

Human Resources Department

- **Direct Deposit for Employees:** ***SUPPORT*** legislation to allow the County to mandate direct deposit of payroll and other employee reimbursements via the Automated Clearing House (ACH).



2023 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

- Advocate for amendments that provide tax savings for the most vulnerable taxpayers, particularly seniors.
- Promote legislation requiring property appraisers to consider restrictive covenants imposed by local governing bodies in its real property assessments.
- Support changes to the current Value Adjustment Board process that promote efficiency and create a more transparent process.
- Amend Florida law to clarify that for property tax purposes, a change of ownership occurs at the time a deed is executed.

RESOLUTION NO. PHT 10/2022 – 045

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2023 FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST AND DIRECTING THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO SUBMIT THE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, THROUGH THE OFFICE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, FOR INCLUSION IN THE COUNTY'S PROPOSED 2023 FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE

(Carlos A. Migoya, Chief Executive Officer, Jackson Health System)

WHEREAS, the Public Health Trust (the "Trust") recognizes the need to establish its Federal and State legislative priorities; and

WHEREAS, upon adoption, the Trust is required to submit its Federal and State legislative priorities to Miami-Dade County, through the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, for inclusion in the County's Proposed 2023 Federal and State Legislative Package; and

WHEREAS, the list of the Trust's Federal and State Legislative Priorities is attached hereto and made a part hereof and requires approval of the Public Health Trust; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Executive Officer recommends approval of the attached priorities and of submission thereof to the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby approves the Public Health Trust's 2023 Federal and State Legislative Priorities, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, and declares it to be an official action of the Public Health Trust, and provided further that the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, is directed to submit the 2023 Federal and State Legislative Priorities to Miami-Dade County, through the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, for inclusion in the County's Proposed 2023 Federal and State Legislative Package.

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The foregoing resolution was offered by Antonio L. Argiz and the motion was seconded by Laurie Weiss Nuell as follows:

Matthew J. Allen	Absent
Antonio L. Argiz	Aye
Juan Fernandez-Barquin	Aye
Amadeo Lopez-Castro, III	Aye
Laurie Weiss Nuell	Aye
Walter T. Richardson	Aye
Carmen M. Sabater	Absent

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution as duly passed and adopted this 4th day of October 2022.

PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: 
Laurie Weiss Nuell, Secretary

Approved by the Miami-Dade County Attorney's Office as to form
And legal sufficiency 

TO: Walter T. Richardson, Chairman
and Members, Public Health Trust Board of Trustees

FROM: Carlos A. Migoya
Chief Executive Officer, Jackson Health System

DATE: September 28, 2022

RE: 2023 Federal and State Legislative Priorities

Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Public Health Trust Board of Trustees approve the 2023 Federal and State Legislative Priorities.

Scope

The legislative priorities encompass the major issues likely to impact Jackson Health System during the 2023 session of the Florida Legislature and during ongoing legislative and regulatory activity in Washington, DC. The priorities will be incorporated into Miami-Dade County's proposed 2023 Federal and State Legislative Package.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

There is no fiscal impact to setting the Trust's legislative priorities. Policy and funding changes made by the Legislature in reflection of these priorities can have a significant impact on the health system.

Track Record/Monitor

Chief of Staff to the CEO and Vice President of Government Relations Esther Caravia will monitor the advancement of these priorities throughout the year.

Background

The 2023 Federal & State Legislative Priorities are being presented to the Strategy and Growth Committee for approval, followed by final Board approval and inclusion in the Miami-Dade County Proposed 2023 Federal and State Legislative Package.

The specific priorities recommended for 2023 are attached.