MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 8(L)(8)

TO:	Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. and Members, Board of County Commissioners	**DATE:**	February 6, 2018
FROM:	Abigail Price-Williams County Attorney	**SUBJECT:**	Resolution reappointing Mr. Arie Dezwart, Mr. John Demott, and Mr. Larry Caudle to the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board for terms of four years each

The accompanying resolution was prepared by the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Dennis C. Moss.

Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

APW/lmp

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: February 6, 2018

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

From: Carlos A. Giménez Mayor

Subject: Reappointment of Three Agricultural Practices Advisory Board Members

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) reappoint the following nominees to the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board:

- Larry Caudle as the Allied Agri-business representative to the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board as recommended by the Dade County Agri-Council, Inc. The term for this reappointment begins on January 1, 2018 and expires on December 31, 2022; and

- John DeMott as the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District representative as recommended by the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District. The term for this reappointment begins on January 1, 2018 and expires on December 31, 2022; and

- Arie de Zwart as the Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida representative as recommended by the Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida. The term for this reappointment begins on January 1, 2018 and expires on December 31, 2022.

Scope

The recommendations and actions of the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board have a countywide impact.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

There is no fiscal impact to the County.

Track Record/Monitor

The Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources, Planning Division, monitors the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board.

Background

The Agricultural Practices Advisory Board (APAB) consists of thirteen members representing a variety of agricultural industries. Section 2-935, of the Miami-Dade County Code, requires that the Board fill vacancies occurring on the APAB. Pursuant to Section 2-933 of the Code, each designated organization shall submit, for Board review, at least one nominee for their vacant position(s), including the nominee's resume and the minutes of the organization's meeting at which the nominee was selected. The required documentation for each nominee is attached.

Allied Agri-business Representative
Mr. Larry Caudle was nominated by the Dade County Agri-Council, Inc. as its nominee for reappointment (Attachment A). Mr. Caudle is currently the Chair of the APAB and has more than 40 years of experience in the agricultural industry. He has worked as an agricultural and farm supply salesman, has been the founder/owner of two horticultural businesses, and has been a cattle farmer and grove farmer since 1978. Mr. Caudle has also served as the Chair of the Dade County Schools Citizen's Advisory Board, as Past President and Board Member of the Redland School PTA, and as a soccer coach. Mr. Caudle attended the University of Miami and North Carolina State University, and is fluent in English, Spanish and Portuguese. The Dade County Agri-Council, Inc. recommended the reappointment of Larry Caudle during the summer of 2017.

South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District Representative
Mr. John DeMott was nominated by the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District as its nominee for reappointment to the APAB (Attachment B). Mr. DeMott recently completed his first full term on the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board and has more than 40 years of experience in the agricultural industry. He has established and/or worked for the Redland Nursery Inc., Alpha Foliage Inc., 2B Farms Inc., Florida Keys Botanical Center Inc. and many others. He is also a Past President of the Dade County Chapter of the Florida Nursery Growers' and Landscapers Association (1980), and is a former Vice President of the Friends of Chapman Field (1996). Mr. DeMott is a former Miami-Dade County Firefighter (1972-2000) and has a commercial pilot's license. The South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District recommended the reappointment of John DeMott at its August 17, 2017 meeting.

Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida Representative
Mr. Arie de Zwart was nominated by the Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida as its nominee for reappointment to the APAB (Attachment C). Mr. de Zwart is the owner of Ruineman's Aquarium Inc., and has been in operation since 1985, but has been in the industry for more than 45 years. He served as President of the Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida (2003-2007), has worked with the Dade County Farm Bureau's local President's Council, and has served on the Board of Directors for the Florida Tropical Fish Farms Association since 2005. The Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida recommended the reappointment of Arie de Zwart at its August 9, 2017 meeting.

Jack Osterholt
Deputy Mayor

ATTACHMENT A

Herbert Lawrence Caudle III
18951 244 Street
Homestead, FL
Born Jacksonville FL

Work Experience: Started/Owner International Flower Marts 1970 to1977
Raleigh NC

Started/Owner Brasilian Grafted Cactus Inc. 1972 to 1986

Cattle Farmer and Grove /Farmer 1978 to present

S&M Farm Supply-18 years Ag salesman 1980 to 1998

Agriliance - 10 years Ag sales 1998 to present

Education: Saint Andrews Prep Boca Raton FL 1964 / 1967
University of Miami 1967 /1968
North Carolina State University 1968 / 1970

Community Service: Chairman, Dade County School Citizens Advisory
Redland School PTA, Past President and Board Member
Soccer coach AYSO

Personal: Married, Melissa Perkins Caudle 31 yrs, 3 children (1 Nurseryman 1 Army MP and 1 farmer)
Fluent in English, Portuguese, Spanish

DADE COUNTY AGRI COUNCIL INC.

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Jerry Bell, AICP
Assistant Director for Planning
Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources
Planning Division, Metropolitan Planning Section
111 NW 1 Street Suite 1250
Miami, Florida 33128-1902

Dear Mr. Bell

The Dade County Agri-Council recommends Mr. Larry Caudle to continue as our representative on the Miami-Dade County Agricultural Practices Advisory Board for another four-year term.

As the Agri-Council Board of Directors does not meet during the summer months a telephone poll was conducted to verify the members concurrence with the recommendation. The below listed members were contacted and all were in favor of Mr. Caudle's reappointment continuing as the Dade County Agri-Council's representative to the Miami-Dade County Agricultural Practices Advisory Board.

The following Board members, that constitute all but one of the Board of Directors, were contacted:
Ms. Jane Spurling
Mr. Dennis Latson
Ms. Mary Schneider
Ms. Katheryn Walters
Mr. Phil Marraccini
Ms. Peggy Machin
Dr. Mary Lamberts
Ms. Mary Philcox

I apologize for the delay in providing this letter of nomination. The committee feels that this position is very important in the county and that Mr. Caudle has done an excellent job.

If you have questions please call me at (305) 724-8497 or (305) 742-8497.

Sincerely

Mary Schneider

Mary Schneider
President

John C. DeMott **Feb, 2006** 305-248-5109
18456 SW 264 St. Redland, Florida 33031 Redland@Netrus.net

Profile

DOB April, 1948, Larchmont NY

Moved to South Florida 1951

St. Brendan grade school Miami, through 7th grade

Redland Jr. High School

South Dade High graduating in 1966

Professional Accomplishments

Aerospace

- Commercial Pilot License

Agriculture

- Redland Nursery Inc. Est. 1972
- Alpha Foliage Inc. Est. 1981
- 2B Farms Inc. Est. 1985
- Keys Foliage 1979
- Florida Keys Botanical Center Inc. Est. 2004
- Tropical Treasures Inc. Est.1987
- Greenland Nursery Est. 2002
- Zone10 Inc. Est. 1996
- East Glade Tropical Est. 1982
- FNGLA Seed-bank Est. 1997 Http://www.botanicalauctions.com
- Helped Defeat Flora Board (A marketing order, they still get their funding from our industry via. bond money placed on selective buyers of horticulture products.)
- Past President of the Dade County Chapter of the Florida Nursery and Growers Association. 1980
- VP of Friends of Chapman Field (grass roots organization that helped keep this ARS station from closure and becoming part of, or another, Dearing Bay Yacht and Country Club) 1996

Family

- Married to Carol DeMott since 1970
- Children Jeff, Jennifer
- Both engaged
- Both in Collage

Work History

Watercraft operator **US Army** 1970-1972

Ft. Rucker Alabama, Fort Eustis

	Virginia, Eglin Air force Base Florida,	
Firefighter	Miami Dade County, Florida	1972- 2000
Ornamental Horticulture	Dade County	1970-present

Education

AA in Aerospace	Dade Community Collage,	1969
(Burnies' Bombers)	South Miami, Fla.	

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July 17, 2017

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that the South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors has unanimously reappointed John DeMott for a new term as the District representative to the Miami-Dade County Agricultural Practices Advisory Board.

The reappointment of Mr. John DeMott was made at the August 17, 2017 Board Meeting.

Sincerely,

S. Cooper McMillan III
Chairman of The Board
South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District

The South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities. The South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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Board of Supervisors Meeting
August 17, 2017 Minutes

PRESENT: Cooper McMillan, Chairman; Tom Davenport, Treasurer; John De Mott, Supervisor; Christine Coffin, NRCS; Don Grimsley, Ag Lab; Robert Perez, MIL Lab; William Townshend, SDSWCD; Debbie Van Weest, SDSWCD

ABSENT: Marcela Santamaria, Supervisor; Louise King, Vice Chair.

Chairman Cooper McMillan called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m. Roll was taken.

June 15, 2017 Minutes

The board reviewed the Minutes. Tom Davenport moved to approve the minutes. John DeMott seconded.

All were in agreement.

June 15, 2017 Financials

The board reviewed the Financials. John DeMott moved to approve the Financials Tom Davenport seconded the motion.

All were in agreement.

August 17, 2017 Minutes

The Board discussed the reappointment of John DeMott as the District representative to the Miami-Dade County Agricultural Practices Advisory Board, the term expires December 21, 2017. John DeMott stated he is willing to accept the reappointment. Tom Davenport moved to approve the reappointment, Cooper McMillan seconded the motion. All were in agreement.

Cooper McMillan stated there was not a Board Meeting held in July.

The South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities. The South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

The Board discussed ways to improve the smell of the fertilizer for future bagging. The discussion ended with drying and aerating seem to be the most effective.

The City of Homestead has been working on the Green House. To date the Green House is still not operational.

The Board discussed the Miami-Dade Bid for the upcoming year. To date there has been no official award notification.

Ag Lab and MIL Lab's budgets have been approved for 3 years. The approval includes the Administrative Staff salaries and Audit costs.

Christine Coffin announced the upcoming Area 4 Meeting in Labelle Florida scheduled for August 29, 2017. The Board Members, South Dade Soil & Water Conservation District Staff, MIL Lab and Ag Lab are all invited. Christine plans to leave August 29 from the parking lot at 6:00 am. Carpooling options were discussed.

John DeMott requested the Area 4 agenda to be emailed to him.

To date in August SDSWCD has not received any fertilizer orders. It was stated that this time of year is slow due to the growing season and the rain.

Cooper McMillan is in discussion with Unity to help promote the effectiveness of Biosolids.

All approved the engagement letter from Brunt, Sweeney, Matz, P.A. to conduct the 2016 Audit.

John DeMott discussed and reviewed the Ag Practices Special Agenda meeting minutes from August 2, 2017 as well as the Board meeting report from July 5, 2017.

Christine Coffin discussed the DC's Report to the Board 8/17/17.

Robert Perez discussed the MIL Lab Report to the Board 8/17/17.

Donald Grimsley discussed the Ag Lab Report to the Board 8/17/17.

Supervisor John DeMott moved to adjourn the meeting; Treasurer Tom Davenport seconded the motion. Unanimous vote to adjourn at 11:50 a.m.

Miami, December 3, 2008

Re: Resume to fill a vacancy on the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board.

My name is Arie de Zwart. I was born on October 18, 1946 in the Netherlands I'm 62 years old, married with 2 sons and four grandchildren.

From 1962 till 1966 I worked in Agriculture for a tomato, cucumber and lettuce grower.

In 1966, at the age of 19 years old, I started my career in Aquaculture working with Ornamental Tropical fish with Ruinemans Aquarium B.V. in the Netherlands and worked my way up to become the General Manager.

In 1985, I started the parent company Ruinemans Aquarium Inc. in Miami, Florida and have been operating this tropical fish business located on agricultural zoned land in Kendall. Since 1992, I own the business and became the co-owner of Ruinemans Aquarium B.V. in the Netherlands. I have served as president for the Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida for four years (2003- 2007). I have worked with the Dade County Farm Bureaus local Presidents Council I serve at the Board of Directors of the Florida Tropical Fish Farms Association located in Winter Haven, Florida since 2005.

My purpose serving at the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board is to represent the Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Arie de Zwart
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ruinemansmiami@earthlink.net

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ORNAMENTAL AQUACULTURE ASSOCIATION
Of South Florida

August 19, 2017

Stephan Mark Dorsey, AICP
Dept of Regulatory, Planning Division
111 NW 1st Street, Suite 1220
Miami, FL 33128-1902

Dear Mr. Dorsey & Staff:

The Ornamental Aquaculture Association has met on August 9, 2017 and re-nominated the following member from the Ornamental Aquaculture Association to the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board to fill the present position.

Nomination :	Arie DeZwart. 11345 SW. 95th Street Miami, FL 33176	Tel: (305) 279-2349 Fax: (305) 274-8562

Mr. DeZwart has already served on this board for the OAA for over three years. He has owned and operated Ruineman's Aquarium since 1985 in Miami, but worked in this industry for 45+ years. Arie's ornamental fish business is located on agricultural zoned land in the Kendall area.

Our Ornamental Aquaculture Association feels that Arie DeZwart should be considered as re-appointed to the same position that he currently serves on the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Yours truly,

Laif DeMason
305-248-6640
Interim president, OAA

Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida.

Meeting minutes and summary. J.D. Campbell Agriculture Center Homestead, Florida.

August 09, 2017

Members present: Rick Biro, Laif DeMason (Int. Pres/ Treasurer), Arjan De Zwart, Arie De Zwart, Enrique Schmalbach.

Interim President Laif DeMason opened the meeting at 4:15 PM, no minutes of the last meeting were presented for approval and will be so available on the next meeting.

The reappointment of Arie De Zwart of Ruinemans Aquarium to the Miami-Dade Agricultural Advisory Board for another three years was discussed and approved unanimously by all present.

The new Tilapia Lake Virus and the scheduled meeting for August 17th in the same venue were discussed. Projected outcomes for exports and imports of ornamental fish were considered. All members were encouraged to attend this meeting to be presented by UF/IFAS and USDA staff to see if there were serious concerns. It was decided to hear what local tilapia producers's concerns were first to see if we needed to also recommend any action.

A local farm's request for two additional agricultural wells from SFWMD and their response was of topic. It seemed like SFWMD was enacting or trying to develop new regulations concerning aquaculture even though there are Best Management practices developed and in place by the FACS, Div of Aquaculture.

Committee reports:

FTFFA: The Aquatic Experience were discussed. Next year (2018) the venue will be moved from Chicago to New Jersey. FTFFA appointed a new accountant. The FTFFA co-op store is doing well monetarily. The proposed clean or white list of tropical fish permitted in MI and ME was discussed.

Agriculture Advisory committee: UDB and boundaries thereof were discussed. The new expressway 836 and the proposed routing were discussed.

New Business: The need for a better IFAS lobby aquarium fish display was noted. The heater stuck on and there was a fish kill. R. Biro asked if we could have the Ag Patrol come to talk to the members next time. A new Ag Patrol station was being schedule for development soon. L. DeMason directed the members to an email about assisting FL local schools with Aquaculture in the Classroom and a potential contact source for in class material. No meeting was scheduled for the future. With no further matters, the meeting was adjourned ~6:10 PM.

MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: February 6, 2018

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(L)(8)

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 _____

Agenda Item No. 8(L)(8)
2-6-18

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MR. ARIE DEZWART, MR. JOHN DEMOTT, AND MR. LARRY CAUDLE TO THE AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES ADVISORY BOARD FOR TERMS OF FOUR YEARS EACH

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, Sections 2-931 through 2-936 of the Code of Miami-Dade County provide for the creation, composition, terms, purpose and duties of the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board (APAB); and

WHEREAS, Section 2-933 of the Code of Miami-Dade County specifically provides for the designated organizations to recommend at least one nominee, who shall have a majority of their income or work devoted to the production of agriculture, hold membership in recognized agricultural organizations, or have a demonstrated interest in the agricultural industry of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-935 of the Code of Miami-Dade County directs that vacancies on the APAB shall be filled by this Board, and pursuant to Section 2-934, APAB members serve for terms of four years each without term limits, and may serve until his or her successor has been duly appointed and qualified; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Arie de Zwart is currently serving as the Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida representative on the APAB, and the Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida has recommended Mr. Arie de Zwart to serve another term in the same capacity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. John DeMott is currently serving as the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District representative on the APAB, and the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District has recommended Mr. John DeMott to serve another term in the same capacity; and

WHEREAS Mr. Larry Caudle is currently serving as the Dade County Agri-Council, Inc. representative on the APAB, and the Dade County Agri-Council, Inc. has recommended Mr. Larry Caudle to serve another term in the same capacity,

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

Section 1. Mr. Arie de Zwart is hereby reappointed to the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board to serve another four year term as the Ornamental Aquaculture Association of South Florida representative beginning on January 1, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2022.

Section 2. Mr. John DeMott is hereby reappointed to the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board to serve another four year term as the South Dade Soil and Water Conservation District representative beginning on January 1, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2022.

Section 3. Mr. Larry Caudle is hereby reappointed to the Agricultural Practices Advisory Board to serve another four year term as the Dade County Agri-Council, Inc. representative beginning on January 1, 2018 and ending on December 31, 2022.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Chairman
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman

Bruno A. Barreiro	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Sally A. Heyman
Barbara J. Jordan	Joe A. Martinez
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Rebeca Sosa	Sen. Javier D. Souto
Xavier L. Suarez	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of February, 2018. 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:_____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

Abbie Schwaderer-Raurell