

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(3)

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

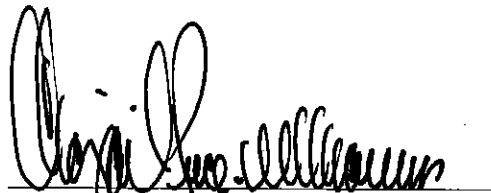
DATE: June 5, 2018

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County Mayor provide information relating to resources for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking to women being released from the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department and Miami-Dade County Homeless Assistance Centers; directing the County Mayor to review and updated the information provided on an annual basis

This item was amended at the 5-9-18 Public Safety and Health Committee adding Section 4 that directs the County Mayor or County's Mayors designee to provide the information relating to resources available to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking in English, Spanish and Creole."

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



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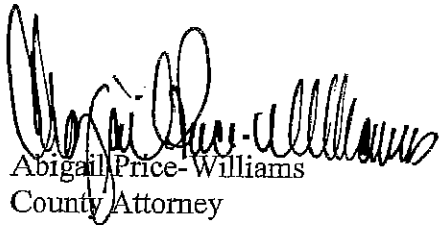
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Please note any items checked.

- "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 ____, 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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6-5-18

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION RELATING TO RESOURCES FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING TO WOMEN BEING RELEASED FROM THE MIAMI-DADE CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HOMELESS ASSISTANCE CENTERS; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO REVIEW AND UPDATE THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS

WHEREAS, the Florida Council Against Sexual Violence ("FCASV") reports that 1,266,000 women in Florida, approximately 17 percent of women, have been raped at some point in their lives; and

WHEREAS, additionally FCASV reports that 3,111,000 women in Florida, or 41.8 percent of women, have been victimized by sexual violence other than rape; and

WHEREAS, the National Women's Study Replication funded by the National Institute of Justice found that only 18 percent of forcible rapes are reported to law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence ("FCADV") reports that 105,668 crimes of domestic violence were reported to Florida law enforcement in 2016, resulting in 63,193 arrests; and

WHEREAS, FCADV additionally reports that during fiscal year 2015-2016, Florida's certified domestic violence centers provided 600,621 nights of emergency shelter to 16,362 survivors of domestic violence and their children; and

WHEREAS, FCADV reports that advocates received 122,999 domestic violence hotline calls from individuals seeking emergency services, information, and safety planning; and

WHEREAS, although the numbers of domestic violence victims seeking shelter and information are staggering, FCADV found that the true extent of abuse in our state may never be known because many more survivors of domestic violence are not reporting their abusers to the police or accessing services at domestic violence services due to reasons such as shame, fear, or obstruction from their abusers; and

WHEREAS, FCADV reports that the most current national studies on domestic violence suggest that 22 to 25 percent of all women will experience domestic violence at some point during their lives; and

WHEREAS, statistics cannot convey the impact sexual and domestic violence has on victims and their families; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County can assist victims of sexual violence, human trafficking and domestic violence by providing access to information regarding programs and services to assist victims; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (“CEDAW”) in Miami-Dade County presented recommendations by the Miami-Dade County Commission for Women (“CEDAW report”); and

WHEREAS, the CEDAW report recommended that women inmates who are released from Miami-Dade County jails should be provided with information/resources about domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking so that they can be better prepared to avoid these dangerous situations and/or seek help should they find themselves in these dangerous situations; and

WHEREAS, the CEDAW report additionally recommended that women discharged from Miami-Dade County Homeless Assistance Centers (“HACs”) should be provided with information/resources about domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking so that they can be better prepared to avoid these dangerous situations or seek help should they find themselves in these dire circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this Board supports providing victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking access to information,

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

Section 1. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to provide female inmates pending release from the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department with information relating to resources available to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking including the Information Resource Sheet attached to this resolution as Exhibit 1.

Section 2. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to provide women discharged from Miami-Dade County Homeless Assistance Centers (“HACs”) with information relating to resources available to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking including the Information Resource Sheet.

Section 3. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to review and update the Informational Resource Sheet on an annual basis to ensure that current and accurate information is being provided.

>>Section 4. Directs the County Mayor or County's Mayors designee to provide the information relating to resources available to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking in English, Spanish and Creole.<<¹

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava. It 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:

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| Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Chairman | |
| Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman | |
| 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 |
| District 5 - Vacant | |

¹ Committee amendments are indicated as follows: Words double stricken through and/or [[double bracketed]] are deleted, words double underlined and/or >>double arrowed<< are added.

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 5th day of June, 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.

MSM for

Suzanne Villano-Charif
Shannon Summerset

INFORMATION FOR WOMEN
RESOURCES FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND SEXUAL
ASSAULT

- Calvary Kendall Human Trafficking Ministry – To help restore the lives of human trafficking victims through faith-based mentoring program.
 - www.calvaryconnect.com
 - Maria Santamaria, Human Trafficking Ministry Leader
 - Calvary Kendall Human Trafficking Ministry, 16435 SW 117th Avenue, Miami, FL 33177
 - (786) 546-3077
 - Humantrafficking@calvaryconnect.com
- Building Empowerment by Stopping Trafficking (B.E.S.T) – To aid victims of human trafficking and pursue and prosecute traffickers.
 - <http://beststoptrafficking.org>
 - Linda J. Sullivan, President & Co-Founder of B.E.S.T.
 - (305) 728-5218
 - Linda.Sullivan@beststoptrafficking.com
 - Victim's Hotline: 855-237-8811
- **Domestic Violence Programs/Shelters**
- SafeSpace North (305) 758-2546 (Please call for information and location)
- SafeSpace South (305) 247-4249 (Please call for information and location)
- The Lodge, www.TheLodgeMiami.org
 - Angelica Diaz-Vidaillet, CEO, P.O. Box 470728, Miami, FL 33147
 - (305) 693-1170
 - (305) 693-0232 (24-Hour Crisis Line)
 - AngelaD@TheLodgeMiami.org; Info@TheLodgeMiami.org
- Sahara, Shashi Jagadish, President Shahida Shakir, Vice-President
 - Sahara, www.saharafl.org, Sahara works to combat domestic violence in the Asian-American communities.
 - 1-866 567-7635 (Help Line)
- Coordinated Victim Assistance Center – CVAC is a comprehensive, one-stop center for coordinated services to domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking victims.
 - Ivon Mesa, Director, mesaie@miamidade.gov
 - 2400 South Dixie Highway, Miami, FL 33133
 - (305) 285-5906 or (305) 285-5900
- Kristi House – To provide comprehensive services for child victims of sexual abuse and their families; also addresses the problem of trafficking/child sexual exploitation through Project GOLD.
 - www.kristihouse.org, 1265 NW 12th Avenue, Miami, FL 33136
 - (305) 547-6836
- Ladies Empowerment & Action Program (LEAP) – Employability/entrepreneurship training and support program to prepare incarcerated women to re-enter society; to provide female inmates with the necessary skills and training to gain employment upon their release from prison as well as provide the knowledge and education necessary to create a small business.
 - www.LeapforLadies.org
 - P.O. Box 848, Miami, FL 33143
 - (786) 401-2070
 - Info@LeapForLadies.org

- Lauren's Kids – To prevent sexual abuse through awareness and education, and help survivors heal with guidance and support.
 - www.LaurensKids.org
 - 18851 NE 29th Ave, Suite 1010, Aventura, FL 33180
 - (786) 288-5045
- The Lotus House – Transitional housing and resource center for homeless women and infants. The Lotus House is located at 217 NW 15th Street, Miami, and provides free housing for up to a year and wrap-around support services with access to a wide range of community resources. The thrift store is located at 2040 NW 7th Avenue
 - www.lotushouseshelter.org
 - (305) 576-4112, (305) 438-0556
- M.U.J.E.R., Inc. (Mujeres Unidas en Justicia, Educacion y Reforma, Inc.) – To provide a trusting environment that promotes emotional wellness and stability through advocacy, domestic and sexual violence prevention and community education to strengthen families; provide a full scope of effective, science-based services that are client-centered in rural and agricultural communities.
 - www.MujerFla.Org
 - 27112 South Dixie Highway, Naranja, FL 33032
 - (305) 247-1388, (786) 412-0714
- Planned Parenthood of South Florida, East and North Florida – To provide comprehensive sexual health care through the provision of clinical services, education and advocacy.
 - www.ppsenfl.org
 - 585 NW 161st Street, Floor 2, Miami, FL 33169
 - (305) 830-4106
- Refuge for Women – Nonprofit, faith-based organization that provides long-term care for women who have escaped human trafficking or sexual exploitation; safe housing with 24 hour-a-day staffing at various locations.
 - www.RFWFlorida.org
 - (954) 354-3621, (954) 482-1927
- Roxcy Bolton Rape Treatment Center – To provide confidential, patient-centered comprehensive care 24 hours a day, seven days a week to all victims of sexual assault and their non-offending family.
 - <http://jacksonhealth.org/services-rape-treatment.asp>
 - Jackson Memorial Hospital, 1611 NW 12th Avenue, Institute Annex, Room 150, Miami, FL 33136
 - (305) 585-5185, (305) 585-7273 (24-Hour Hotline)
- Someone's Child Human Trafficking Program – To raise awareness about human trafficking victims to the public; provide in-depth training to professionals who will come into contact with victims, and to provide victim assistance through community referral system.
 - www.someoneschild.org
 - 20533 Biscayne Blvd. #476, Aventura, FL 33180
 - (786) 281-1652
 - cadkins@someoneschild.org
- Start Off Smart, Inc. – Nonprofit initiative of the Homestead Police Department to assist victims/survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, child abuse and other family violence.
 - <http://StartOffSmartInc.com>
 - 1603 SE 28th Avenue, Homestead, FL 33035
 - (305) 2244-5585
 - TReyes@homesteadpolice.com, DLyew@Homesteadpolice.com