

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(6)

TO: Honorable Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: November 16, 2021

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. and Secretary of State Antony J. Blinken to adopt a 'friend-shoring' policy targeted at redirecting United States business supply chains from China to diplomatic allies in Latin America

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Joe A. Martinez.


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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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11-16-21

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION URGING PRESIDENT JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR.
AND SECRETARY OF STATE ANTONY J. BLINKEN TO
ADOPT A ‘FRIEND-SHORING’ POLICY TARGETED AT
REDIRECTING UNITED STATES BUSINESS SUPPLY
CHAINS FROM CHINA TO DIPLOMATIC ALLIES IN LATIN
AMERICA

WHEREAS, the supply chains of many American firms are dependent on Chinese industry; and

WHEREAS, the Biden administration has stated that it hopes to reduce the United States’ dependence on foreign supplies such as semiconductors and batteries; and

WHEREAS, according to the President of the Inter-American Development Bank (“IDB”), Latin American economies could make an extra \$70,000,000,000.00 a year if the United States managed to replace ten percent of China’s exports to the United States; and

WHEREAS, several large, international firms, such as Volkswagen, Intel, and Teleperformance, have recently committed to significantly increasing operations in Latin America; and

WHEREAS, IDB experts say that several Latin American countries use cleaner energies than China; and

WHEREAS, a ‘friend-shoring’ policy would entail a plan to redirect United States business supply chains from China to diplomatic allies in Latin America,

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

Section 1. Urges President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. and Secretary of State Antony J. Blinken to adopt a ‘friend-shoring’ policy targeted at redirecting United States business supply chains from China to diplomatic allies in Latin America.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, to the Members of the Florida Congressional Delegation, and to the Secretary of the United States Department of State.

Section 3. Directs the County’s federal 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 2022 Federal Legislative Package when it is presented to the Board.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Joe A. Martinez. 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:

Jose “Pepe” Diaz, Chairman	
Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Vice-Chairman	
Sen. René García	Keon Hardemon
Sally A. Heyman	Danielle Cohen Higgins
Eileen Higgins	Joe A. Martinez
Kionne L. McGhee	Jean Monestime
Raquel A. Regalado	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 16th day of November, 2021. 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CJF', is written over a horizontal line.

Christian J. Fernandez-Andes