

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(13)

TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 6, 2026

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution appointing voting
trustee to the Public Health Trust
Board of Trustees for the 2026-
2029 term

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairman Anthony Rodriguez.



Geri Bonzon-Keenan
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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
- ☐ Requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 2/3 members present but not less than 7 votes (majority of membership) ____, CDMP 9 votes (2/3 membership) ____) 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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10-6-26

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION APPOINTING VOTING TRUSTEE TO THE
PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE
2026-2029 TERM

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 25A-3(d) of the Code of Miami-Dade County, the Public Health Trust Nominating Council convened for the purpose of determining its recommendation of a nominee to be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners (“Board”) for appointment as a voting trustee to the Public Health Trust Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the tenure limit of trustee Walter T. Richardson expired on May 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Section 25A-3(d) further provides that the Nominating Council shall submit to the Board a number of nominees containing a total number of names equal to the number of vacancies plus, at the discretion of the Nominating Council, up to two additional nominees, and that the Board shall select and appoint the necessary number of voting trustees from that list; and

WHEREAS, as reflected in the attached memorandum, the Nominating Council’s nominee is Peter T. Pruitt, Jr.,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board appoints Peter T. Pruitt, Jr., as a voting trustee to the Board of Trustees of the Public Health Trust whose term shall expire on May 31, 2029.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Anthony Rodriguez. 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:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman

Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman

Marleine Bastien

Sen. René García

Roberto J. Gonzalez

Danielle Cohen Higgins

Natalie Milian Orbis

Micky Steinberg

Juan Carlos Bermudez

Oliver G. Gilbert, III

Keon Hardemon

Vicki L. Lopez

Raquel A. Regalado

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of October, 2026. 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

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Christopher C. Kokoruda

Date: August 28, 2026

To: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Carmen M. Sabater
Chairwoman, Public Health Trust
Nominating Council

Subject: Appointment of Voting Trustee to the Public Health Trust Board of Trustees



Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) select and appoint the nominee submitted by the Public Health Trust Nominating Council (Nominating Council) for appointment to the Public Health Trust Board of Trustees (PHT). The term for the appointment shall expire May 31, 2029.

Scope

The Nominating Council consists of Chairwoman Carmen M. Sabater, Chairwoman of the Nominating Council and PHT, PHT Member Senator Alexis Calatayud, PHT Member Abigail Price-Williams, PHT Member Walter T. Richardson, PHT Member Amadeo Lopez-Castro III, Mayor-appointed member Mario J. Artecona, South Florida AFL-CIO appointed member Lovette McGill, Board appointed member Commissioner Raquel A. Regalado, and Miami-Dade Delegation appointed member Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez. Section 25A-3(d) of the Code of Miami-Dade County provides that voting trustees of the PHT shall be appointed by resolution approved by the Board after the Nominating Council submits to the Board a list of nominees containing a total number of names which is equal to one nominee for each vacancy on the PHT plus, at the discretion of the Nominating Council, up to two additional nominees. The Board shall select and appoint the voting trustees from the list of nominees submitted by the Nominating Council.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

This action has no fiscal impact to the County as the PHT members serve without compensation. Members are entitled to reimbursement for necessary expenses, including the expense of performance bonds incurred in the discharge of their duties. These expenses are funded by the PHT.

Track Record/Monitor

The Nominating Council received four applications. The four applicants, Geraldine Lazarre, Peter T. Pruitt, Jr., Mercedes L. Rodriguez, and Jeffrey A. Rynor, were interviewed on June 24, 2026. After assessing the applicants, the Nominating Council voted on June 24, 2026, to forward Mr. Peter T. Pruitt, Jr.'s name to the Board for consideration as required by Chapter 25A of the County Code. The Nominating Council voted to designate Ms. Geraldine Lazarre as an alternative nominee in the event Mr. Puritt declines or is unable to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees.

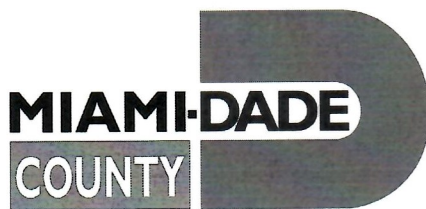
Background

In accordance with the procedures of the Nominating Council, advertisements for the PHT Board of Trustees appeared in the Miami Herald and El Nuevo Herald (digital ad), LinkedIn (digital ad) and on the Jackson Health System website. These advertisements were targeted to residents of Miami-Dade County. The Miami Herald and El Nuevo Herald advertisements received 135,601 impressions and 81 website clicks. The LinkedIn ad received 178,168 impressions and 4,053 link clicks with a clickthrough rate of 2.27%. The Jackson Health System webpage featuring the application received 4,312 visits, with 48 visitors clicking the link to access the PHT application.

The Nominating Council directed the PHT to conduct a background check for Mr. Peter T. Pruitt. The background check concluded that no concerns were found. A true and correct copy of the background check memorandum is attached hereto.

Attachments:

Nominee Application
Background Check Memorandum



**Candidate for Nomination to Serve on the Board of Trustees
Public Health Trust of Miami-Dade County
Jackson Health System**

**ATTENTION APPLICANTS: BACKGROUND CHECKS WILL BE PERFORMED ON
ALL APPLICANTS SELECTED FOR AN INTERVIEW. IF SELECTED, TRUSTEES
WILL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FORMS.**

Biographical Profile

Name: Pruitt, Jr. Peter Taliaferro
 Last First Middle

Employer: Retired

Title/Occupation: Certified Public Accountant

Business Type:

Business Telephone: 305-409-6886

Email Address: ptpruittjr@gmail.com

Home Address: 1125 Campo Sano Ave., Coral Gables, FL 33146

Home Telephone: 305-666-1678

Date of Birth: 07/25/1956 Length of Residence in Miami-Dade County: 64 years

PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE INFORMATION LISTED BELOW (Optional)

☒ Male

☐ Female

☒ White Non-Hispanic

☐ Black Non-Hispanic

☐ Hispanic

☐ Asian or Pacific
Islander

☐ American Indian or
Alaskan Native

☐ Haitian American

EDUCATION:

School/City/Major/Degree: Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia PA, Accounting Major, Bachelor of Science

Previous Employment and Professional Background:

Business Name	Position	Years
Deloitte LLP	Various Roles retiring as Managing Partner – Florida and Puerto Rico	May 1978 – May 2019
Chapman Partnership, Inc.	Chief Executive Office	June 2022 to August 2023

EXPERIENCE AND/OR QUALIFICATIONS:

Describe how your past experience and/or qualifications would benefit the Public Health Trust:

I am a CPA and have provided independent audit services to large private and public companies during my 41 years at Deloitte. This qualifies me as a board financial expert and gave me significant experience with the finance function in large organizations. I also had significant interaction with senior management and boards providing advice on issues ranging from enterprise strategy to risk mitigation. In addition, I led significant business units of Deloitte providing me with direct experience running operations. This diversity of experience will allow me to provide sound governance as a member of the Public Health Trust.

I have been a Board member of Dycom Industries (DY) since 2018. I currently serve as the Audit Committee Chair and have served on the Compensation and Finance Committees. Dycom Industries is an engineering and construction provider to the telecommunications Industry with approximately \$6 billion in revenue and \$12 billion plus of market capitalization. This provides me with direct board experience, including committee leadership, at a large organization. In addition, I am a board member and former President of the National Association Corporate Directors – Florida Chapter. I have been a moderator of numerous programs on current board governance topics. These two experiences give me the knowledge to be an effective board member who is up to date on current best board practices.

I have served as Board member of Chapman Partnership Inc. since 2011. During this period, I served as Chairman in 2019 and 2020 and as the Interim CEO from June 2022 to August 2023. Chapman Partnership is the private partner of the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust operating its two facilities in Miami and Homestead. These facilities provide emergency housing for 2000-3000 homeless individuals and families every year. Jackson Health System operates clinics at both facilities. This has provided me with a deep understanding of serving the poor and near poor populations in Miami-Dade County and the health needs of these populations. Further, I worked closely with the Homeless Trust and attended the Homeless Trust Board meetings on behalf of Chapman. It is structured in many ways like the Public Health Trust. This provides me with knowledge of working with an entity and board that operates under the Sunshine laws and will allow me to quickly assimilate on the board.

My experience serving as Chair of The Platelet Disorder Support Association for the last 17 years has brought me significant experience in the health field. As a patient support organization for rare blood diseases, principally Immune Thrombocytopenia, we maintain a website (PDSA.org) and a patient registry, have an annual patient conference, inform patients on clinical trials, inform patients and their caregivers about quality of life issues, provide resources to clinicians for their patients (we have various informational booklets translated into 37 languages), and many more services. In my role as Chair I attend the American Society of Hematology Conference, worked with our Medical Advisory Board and met with our Pharma partners. The PDSA has a small staff, and I have been directly involved in the above services to our stakeholders. This experience has provided me with a robust understanding of many of the issues facing healthcare providers as well as working with doctors in a Board setting.

Lastly, I have been a board member and officer of other Miami-Dade County civic organizations including The Orange Bowl Committee, The United Way of Miami-Dade, The Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, and the American Red Cross of Greater Miami. Working with these organizations, as well as Chapman Partnership discussed above, has provided me with a deep understanding of the needs of Miami-Dade County and reflects my commitment to helping meet those needs. This is indicative of the energy and commitment I will bring to the Public Health Trust.

ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES:

List community, civic, professional and other organizations of which you are a member:

Organization	Position Held
Chapman Partnership	Board Member, Chair, Interim CEO
National Assn. of Corporate Directors	Board Member and President
Platelet Disorder Support Assn	Board Member and Chair

List any Public Office held (Elected or Appointed):

Office

NONE

Affiliations with hospitals, nursing homes or other health related institutions:

None other than being a current board member, including Chair from 2012 to 2026, of the Platelet Disorder Support Association, a national patient support organization for rare blood diseases primarily Immune Thrombocytopenia.

Activities reflecting community interest:

As described above I have been a board member and officer of a number of organizations serving Miami Dade County. These include Chapman Partnership, The Orange Bowl Committee, United Way of Miami-Dade, The Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, and American Red Cross of Greater Miami.

List all potential conflicts of interest, including potential conflicts arising from your relationships or the relationships of any of your family members in the healthcare industry:

None

References - Persons acquainted with candidate's activities/experience:

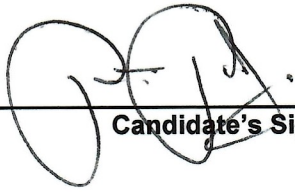
Name	Title	Telephone
Edward Joyce	President – Grove Bank & Trust	305-753-4395

Please describe the goals and objectives you will seek to accomplish if you are selected as a Trustee:

My goal is to execute the governance responsibilities of a Board Member of the Public Health Trust to ensure the trust is meeting its mission. These are complex times for Health Systems with many challenges. Many of these challenges are similar to those faced by the large organizations I have served in my many years at Deloitte. The hot global topics now are Cybersecurity, AI, adjusting to the changing talent landscape, making sure you have world class talent, and rapid changes in the regulatory environment. My goal is to bring the experience and best practices (as well as mistakes) I have seen at the many clients I have served. In addition, there are those challenges that are unique to Miami-Dade County, the most pressing of which is the current severe housing affordability. I have seen and worked on that specific issue and other issues impacting on our most vulnerable residents while at Chapman. I seek to use all of those experiences to ensure we continue to provide high quality health care to the people of Miami-Dade County and meet the vision of being a world-class academic medical system.

I, (candidate's name) Peter T. Pruitt, Jr.,
Citizen of the United States, a duly qualified elector of Miami-Dade County, and not affiliated with the Public Health Trust of Miami-Dade County or its subordinate agencies or institutions, would, if appointed, be willing and able to discharge the responsibilities and functions of Trustee. I declare that, if selected while currently serving on another official County board, I will resign from my other County responsibilities.

5/11/26
Date


Candidate's Signature

Nominated by (if not self):

_____	_____
Name	Telephone
_____	_____
City	State
	Zip Code

PETER PRUITT

305-409-6886 • Miami, FL • ptpruittjr@gmail.com

Public Company Board Director, Not for Profit CEO, Business Unit CEO, Growth, Turnaround, and Performance Strategies for Multi-National Companies



Peter is an accomplished board member, business executive and retired Senior Deloitte Partner. Peter retired in May 2019 with 41 years of experience spanning numerous leadership roles. These included audit, industry and consultative practice leadership. Most recently serving as the Office Managing Partner for Florida and Puerto Rico.

Peter has worked with numerous public, multi-national, private, and private equity companies advising their C-Suites, boards, and their board committees on enterprise strategy, growth, innovation, operations, succession, M&A/IPO events, and risk/mitigation issues offering solutions across audit, tax, risk advisory, and consulting services. Industries range from real estate, financial services, and construction to healthcare, pharmaceutical, and telecommunications.

Peter is also passionate about serving the communities in which he lives and works. He most recently was Interim President and CEO of Chapman Partnership which provides comprehensive and innovative programming for the homeless.

Board Service Includes:

Dycom Industries (NYSE: DY) – 2018 - Present; a \$5.5B plus leading supplier of specialty contracting services to telecommunications providers, underground locating services for utilities, and construction/maintenance services for electric and gas utilities. Peter currently serves as Audit Committee Chair and on the Finance Committee.

National Association of Corporate Directors Florida Chapter – 2017 – Present – In addition to serving on the board, served as the president of the chapter for 2022 and 2023 and has moderated and participated in numerous panels on corporate governance topics.

Orange Bowl Committee – 2000 - Present; member. Previously served as treasurer, second vice-chairman, first vice-chairman, chairman elect and chairman 2005 - 2006. Additionally, served on the board from 2013 - 2016.

Chapman Partnership – 2011 - Present; board member, immediate past board chair, and most recently Interim CEO from June 2022 to August 2023 for this innovative and leading homeless assistance organization.

Platelet Disorder Support Association – 2007 - Present; chairman of this national patient support group for platelet disorders, working in close collaboration with the pharmaceutical industry and FDA.

United Way of Miami-Dade – 2011 - 2017; board member and member of the executive committee. Has served as treasurer and finance and administration committee chair.

Career Highlights Include:

- Managing Partner/business unit CEO for over 15 years, leading professional services and B2B practices, responsible for profitability, talent acquisition/development, client service quality, and market development
- Skilled in people development, succession planning, and internal financial oversight with P&L responsibility
- Regional and national market development with practice growth and oversight
- Financial expert experienced in evaluating liquidity and operational performance
- Serving as an advisor to CEOs and board members on overall business strategy and risk, including cyber and IT, M&A strategies and integration, and succession planning
- Client partner responsible for all business service offerings, development and deployment of Deloitte resources, and for overall client satisfaction
- Participated in M&A stages/strategies of the deal for public, private, and private equity companies including financial due diligence, transaction structuring, and post-integration activities
- Enterprise risk assessment and oversight reinforcing corporate governance and regulatory management

Peter is a CPA and qualifies as a financial expert, having served as the signing audit or advisory partner for numerous large private and public companies for 31 years (including 6 PCAOB inspections), and has extensive experience in securities offerings and spinoffs, SEC reporting, and internal controls evaluation.

TO: Amadeo Lopez-Castro III, Chairman
and Members, Nominating Council

FROM: Michelle M. Kligman, Psy.D, MBA, MS
Executive Vice President & Chief Human Resources Officer

DATE: August 12, 2026

RE: Background Screening Confirmation – Peter Pruitt, Candidate for Appointment to the Public Health Trust Board

In accordance with the Public Health Trust's governance and compliance protocols, the Human Resources Department conducted a comprehensive background screening for Peter Pruitt, candidate for appointment to the Public Health Trust (PHT) Board of Trustees.

On July 20, 2026, the Human Resources Department requested that our current vendor, First Choice Background Screening (First Choice), conduct a background check on Peter Pruitt.

No criminal history was identified in the State of Florida System. The screening also included a public records search of County and Statewide Criminal Records, National Criminal and Sex Offender Records, County Civil Records, Federal Civil Records, Lien/Judgment Filings, Bankruptcy Filings, and Internet and Social Media Records. Peter Pruitt's results returned with no reportable records found.

A review of Mr. Pruitt's Driver and Vehicle Information Database (DAVID) report revealed a valid Florida driver's license with no reportable records found.

On August 7, 2026, subsequent screenings were conducted through the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) and a Level 2 screening through the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA). No reportable results were found, and Peter Pruitt satisfied AHCA's eligibility standards.

After personally reviewing all documentation and official reports, I confirm that Peter Pruitt has successfully met all background screening standards required for service on the Public Health Trust Board of Trustees. All original records and supporting documentation will be retained by the Chief Human Resources Officer in accordance with the Trust's recordkeeping and compliance policies.

Official Records on File

1. Electronic emails from First Choice Background Screening confirming results of the background screening
2. First Choice Background Screening report
3. Driver and Vehicle Information Database (DAVID) report
4. Human Resources fingerprint and ID verification forms and FDLE report
5. Results of Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) Level 2 background screening
6. Biography for Peter Pruitt
7. Internet and media search results