MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(5)

TO:	Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez and Members, Board of County Commissioners	**DATE:**	November 17, 2026
FROM:	Geri Bonzon-Keenan County Attorney	**SUBJECT:**	Resolution establishing County policy to fund the Orange Bowl, LLC ("OBC") or its affiliated entities in amounts not to exceed $1,900,000.00 in cash and $320,000.00 in in-kind services from the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department to be distributed equally over fiscal years 2026-27, 2027-28, 2028-29, and 2029-30, to support the Orange Bowl's ongoing participation in the College Football Playoff ("CFP"), subject to budget and appropriation; and directing the County Mayor to (1) identify and allocate legally available funds in FY 2026-27 adopted budget to fund certain in-kind services for the 93rd Capital One Orange Bowl Game, (2) expeditiously prepare and present any necessary budget adjustments and amendments to this Board for said purpose, (3) negotiate and execute one or more agreements with OBC or its affiliate to provide all such funding, and (4) collaborate with the Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office to fund an annual allocation for in-kind services to support the annual Capital One Orange Bowl and CFP Games

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Oliver G. Gilbert, III.

for
Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

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(Revised)

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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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11-17-26

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COUNTY POLICY TO FUND THE ORANGE BOWL, LLC ("OBC") OR ITS AFFILIATED ENTITIES IN AMOUNTS NOT TO EXCEED $1,900,000.00 IN CASH AND $320,000.00 IN IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT TO BE DISTRIBUTED EQUALLY OVER FISCAL YEARS 2026-27, 2027-28, 2028-29, AND 2029-30, TO SUPPORT THE ORANGE BOWL'S ONGOING PARTICIPATION IN THE COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF ("CFP"), SUBJECT TO BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION; AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO (1) IDENTIFY AND ALLOCATE LEGALLY AVAILABLE FUNDS IN FY 2026-27 ADOPTED BUDGET TO FUND CERTAIN IN-KIND SERVICES FOR THE 93RD CAPITAL ONE ORANGE BOWL GAME, (2) EXPEDITIOUSLY PREPARE AND PRESENT ANY NECESSARY BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS AND AMENDMENTS TO THIS BOARD FOR SAID PURPOSE, (3) NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE ONE OR MORE AGREEMENTS WITH OBC OR ITS AFFILIATE TO PROVIDE ALL SUCH FUNDING, AND (4) COLLABORATE WITH THE MIAMI-DADE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO FUND AN ANNUAL ALLOCATION FOR IN-KIND SERVICES TO SUPPORT THE ANNUAL CAPITAL ONE ORANGE BOWL AND CFP GAMES

WHEREAS, since 1935, Miami-Dade County has hosted the Orange Bowl game, which is recognized as one of America's premier sporting events; and

WHEREAS, the Orange Bowl game and the College Football Playoff ("CFP") games, hosted at Hard Rock Stadium, are major Countywide events of significant economic impact that create tourism and provide extraordinary economic opportunities to Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, for approximately 25 years, the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners ("Board") has supported the Orange Bowl, its participation as one of the marquee Bowl Games in college football, and its status as host to several college football national championship games; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County is one of only six locations in the country that is in rotation to host a CFP Semifinal game every three years; and

WHEREAS, recently, Miami-Dade County hosted a CFP Semifinal in 2025, a CFP Quarterfinal in 2026, and the 2026 CFP National Championship Game between the Miami Hurricanes and the Indiana Hoosiers; and

WHEREAS, the Orange Bowl Game, CFP Quarterfinals, CFP Semifinal, and CFP National Championship Game are annually amongst the top-rated television events, providing valuable branding and worldwide recognition for the host community, and causing large contingents of fans to visit the host community; and

WHEREAS, this Board's support of the Orange Bowl is an important component of an overall funding strategy involving the Orange Bowl, LLC's ("OBC") cash reserves, corporate sponsorships, and public support that enables the OBC to show strong local support and funding to host the Orange Bowl, CFP Quarterfinal, and CFP Semifinal games; and

WHEREAS, hosting Orange Bowl games, CFP games, and the ancillary events surrounding and leading up to the games have caused the OBC to experience an increase in public safety and security needs; and

WHEREAS, the fiscal year 2026-27 Countywide budget includes $475,000.00 in the Countywide general fund budget to provide a grant to the "Orange Bowl Committee"; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to establish a County policy (a) to fund the OBC in the form of cash grants and in-kind services from the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department in fiscal years 2026-27, 2027-28, 2028-29, and 2029-30, to support the OBC's efforts to maintain and expand Miami-Dade's position as host community for the Orange Bowl and CFP games, subject to budget and appropriation, and (b) to collaborate with the Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office to fund an annual allocation for in-kind services to support the Capital One Orange Bowl and CFP games in Miami-Dade County,

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

Section 1. The matters contained in the foregoing recitals are approved and incorporated in this resolution by reference.

Section 2. It shall be the policy of this Board, subject to the availability of legally available funds and this Board's annual budget and appropriation of funds, to fund the OBC or its affiliate during each of fiscal years 2026-27, 2027-28, 2028-29, and 2029-30 as follows: (a) cash support from the Countywide General Fund not exceeding $475,000.00 per fiscal year; and (b) game- and event-related in-kind services from the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department not exceeding $80,000.00 per fiscal year. Such funding may support the Capital One Orange Bowl, CFP Quarterfinal, CFP Semifinal, or CFP National Championship held during the applicable fiscal year and may not exceed $2,220,000.00 in the aggregate over the four fiscal years.

Section 3. This Board directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to identify and allocate legally available funds in the amount of $80,000.00 from the fiscal year 2026-27 proprietary budget to enable the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department to provide in-kind services for the 93rd Capital One Orange Bowl Game and to expeditiously prepare and present to this Board any budget adjustments or amendments necessary for that purpose.

Section 4. This Board directs the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to collaborate with the Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office, during fiscal years 2026-27 through 2029-30, to fund an annual allocation for in-kind services to support the annual Capital One Orange Bowl, CFP Quarterfinal, CFP Semifinal or CFP National Championship games.

Section 5. Subject to the identification and allocation of legally available funds, this Board further directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to negotiate and execute any necessary agreements related to the funding of the OBC or affiliated entities for fiscal year 2026-27, 2027-28, 2028-29, and 2029-30, including for in-kind services, in a form approved for legal sufficiency by the County Attorney's Office and for amounts not to exceed those set forth in section 2 herein. No agreement may provide more than $475,000.00 in cash support or $80,000.00 in Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department in-kind services for any fiscal year, and the aggregate amount provided under all such agreements may not exceed $2,220,000.00.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Oliver G. Gilbert, III. 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	Juan Carlos Bermudez
Sen. René García	Oliver G. Gilbert, III
Roberto J. Gonzalez	Keon Hardemon
Danielle Cohen Higgins	Vicki L. Lopez
Natalie Milian Orbis	Raquel A. Regalado
Micky Steinberg	

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 17th day of November, 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. RFA

Richard Appleton