MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(8)

TO:	Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez and Members, Board of County Commissioners	**DATE:**	November 17, 2026
FROM:	Geri Bonzon-Keenan County Attorney	**SUBJECT:**	Resolution approving the 2027 federal and state legislative priorities adopted by the Public Health Trust

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

For
Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

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(Revised)

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and Members, Board of County Commissioners

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FROM: 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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11-17-26

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2027 FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES ADOPTED BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST

WHEREAS, the 120th United States Congress will convene on January 3, 2027 and is scheduled to end January 3, 2029; and

WHEREAS, the 2027 session of the Florida Legislature will begin on March 2, 2027 with committee meetings scheduled to begin the week of November 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Board approved the 2027 state legislative package at its October 20, 2026 meeting as Resolution No. R-895-26; and

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2026, the Public Health Trust adopted its 2027 federal and state legislative priorities; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to approve the 2027 federal and state legislative priorities adopted by the Public Health Trust, which are attached to this resolution,

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

Section 1. Approves the 2027 federal and state legislative priorities of the Public Health Trust.

Section 2. Directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2027 Federal Legislative Package and 2027 State Legislative Package to include the attached Public Health Trust priorities.

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	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. KMM

Kevin Marker

Jackson HEALTH SYSTEM

Miracles made daily.

TO: Carmen M. Sabater, Chairwoman
and Members, Public Health Trust Board of Trustees

FROM: David Zambrana
President & Chief Executive Officer, Jackson Health System

DATE: October 28, 2026

RE: 2027 Federal and State Legislative Priorities

Recommendation
Staff recommends the Public Health Trust Board of Trustees approve the 2027 federal and state legislative priorities.

Scope
The legislative priorities encompass the major issues likely to impact Jackson Health System during the 2027 session of the Florida Legislature, and during ongoing legislative and regulatory activity in Washington, D.C. The priorities will be incorporated into Miami-Dade County's proposed 2027 federal and state legislative package.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source
There is no fiscal impact to setting the Trust's legislative priorities. Policy and funding changes made by the Legislature in reflection of these priorities can have a significant impact on the health system.

Track Record/Monitor
Chief of Staff to the President & CEO, and Vice President of Government Relations, Esther Caravia will monitor the advancement of these priorities throughout the year.

Background
The 2027 federal and state legislative priorities are being presented to the Public Health Trust Board of Trustees for submittal to the Board of County Commissioners as described above.

The specific priorities recommended for 2027 are attached.

2027 Legislative Priorities

FEDERAL PRIORITIES

- **Protect the 340B Program:** Oppose any changes that restrict hospital or patient eligibility to ensure continued access to affordable medications for underserved populations.
- **Safeguard Federal Funding:** Work to ensure federal budget proposals protect all supplemental funding streams and align with hospital funding priorities to sustain high-quality care.
- **Strengthen the Workforce:** Support initiatives that expand and stabilize the healthcare workforce.
- **Shape Federal Policy:** Track and influence federal rules and regulations that impact hospital operations and patient care.

STATE PRIORITIES

- **Prevent Funding Cuts:** Oppose reductions of other state hospital funding to preserve essential services.
- **Advocate for Funding Opportunities:** Support strategies protecting federal and state funding to Jackson Health System and identify additional funding opportunities.
- **Expand Mental Health Services:** Promote policies and funding that address the state's growing mental health needs.
- **Empower Collaborative Healthcare Solutions:** Support policies that enable strategic partnerships to expand access, improve care and advance the hospital's mission.
- **Preserve Legal Protection:** Defend existing tort reform and sovereign immunity laws to ensure stability.
- **Grow the Workforce:** Support recruitment and retention programs to build a robust healthcare workforce in Florida.
- **Advance and Protect Essential Programs:** Preserve and advocate for Jackson and all its luminary programs as an essential part of Florida's statewide healthcare infrastructure.
- **Reduce the Impact of Local Surcharges:** Reduce local surcharges on designated facilities of Jackson Health System.

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Public Health Trust Board of Trustees
October 28, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. PHT 10/2026 - 064

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2027 FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST AND DIRECTING THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO SUBMIT THE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, THROUGH THE OFFICE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, FOR INCLUSION IN THE COUNTY'S PROPOSED 2027 FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE

(David Zambrana, President and Chief Executive Officer, Jackson Health System)

WHEREAS, the Public Health Trust (the "Trust") recognizes the need to establish its Federal and State legislative priorities; and

WHEREAS, upon adoption, the Trust is required to submit its Federal and State legislative priorities to Miami-Dade County, through the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, for inclusion in the County's Proposed 2027 Federal and State Legislative Package; and

WHEREAS, the list of the Trust's Federal and State Legislative Priorities is attached hereto and made a part hereof and requires approval of the Public Health Trust; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Executive Officer recommends approval of the attached priorities and of submission thereof to the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby approves the Public Health Trust's 2027 Federal and State Legislative Priorities, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, and declares it to be an official action of the Public Health Trust, and provided further that the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, is directed to submit the 2027 Federal and State Legislative Priorities to Miami-Dade County, through the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, for inclusion in the County's Proposed 2027 Federal and State Legislative Package.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Antonio L. Argiz and the motion was seconded by Peter T. Pruitt, Jr. as follows:

Carmen M. Sabater	Excused
Mojdeh L. Khaghan	Aye
Antonio L. Argiz	Aye
Abigail Price-Williams	Aye
Senator Alexis Calatayud	Excused
Amadeo Lopez-Castro, III	Excused
Peter T. Pruitt	Aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution as duly passed and adopted this 28th day of October 2026.

PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
Abigail Price-Williams, Secretary

Approved by the Miami-Dade County Attorney's Office as to form
And legal sufficiency _____