MEMORANDUM

Amended
Agenda Item No. 14(A)(1)

TO: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: March 18, 2014

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution rescinding resolutions R-587-08, R-967-03, and R-760-02 and approving the adoption of eight hundred and twelve (812) voting precincts Resolution No. R-288-14

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

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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

______ 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
RESOLUTION NO. R-288-14

RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTIONS R-587-08, R-967-03, AND R-760-02 AND APPROVING THE ADOPTION OF EIGHT HUNDRED AND TWELVE (812) VOTING PRECINCTS

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2002, this Board adopted Resolution R-760-02 (as amended by R-967-03 and R-587-08) creating voting precincts to conform the voting precincts with the legislative districts created after the 2000 census; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to develop new voting precincts in a responsible manner, with minimal voter impact leading up to the 2014 election cycle; and

WHEREAS, the Supervisor of Elections and Mayor have recommended a revised precinct plan as set forth in the attached memorandum in accordance with Florida Statutes 101.001; and

WHEREAS, the attached recommendation addresses large precincts where a polling place is unable to accommodate the capacity, precincts that experienced long lines during the 2012 General Election, and reduces split precincts to create operational efficiencies; and

WHEREAS, maps delineating the recommended redrawn precincts are on file with the Miami-Dade Clerk of Courts Office and available in GIS shapefiles upon request at the Supervisor of Elections’ Office; and

WHEREAS, the maps setting forth the recommended precinct boundaries were drawn in accordance with Section 101.001(3), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, legal descriptions of the redrawn precincts will also be on file with the Secretary of State’s Office in accordance with 101.001(4); and
WHEREAS, this Board further desires that the Mayor or Mayor’s designee to undertake a comprehensive and inclusive voter education plan to minimize any disruption to a voter whose polling place has been moved; and

WHEREAS, this Board additionally desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the attached memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board adopts the recommendation of the Mayor and the Supervisor of Elections and hereby rescinds Resolutions R-587-08, R-967-03, and R-760-02 and approves the adoption of eight hundred and twelve (812) voting precincts as set forth of the revised precinct maps on file with the Miami-Dade Clerk of Courts Office. This Board further directs the Mayor or Mayor’s designee to conduct a voter outreach campaign regarding the newly adopted precincts as set forth in the attached recommendation. The rescission of the current precincts and the adoption of the new precincts shall become effective on June 20, 2014. The current precincts shall be used for all elections between the effective date of this Resolution and June 20, 2014, at which time the rescission of the current precincts and the adoption of the new precincts shall become effective.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Sally A. Heyman. It was offered by Commissioner Sally A. Heyman, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Audrey Edmonson and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:
Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman
Lynda Bell, Vice Chair
Bruno A. Barreiro  aye
Jose "Pepe" Diaz  aye
Sally A. Heyman  aye
Jean Monestime  aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto  aye
Juan C. Zapata  aye
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.  aye
Audrey M. Edmonson  aye
Barbara J. Jordan  aye
Dennis C. Moss  aye
Xavier L. Suarez  aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 18th day of March, 2014. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

Oren Rosenthal