

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(8)

TO: Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

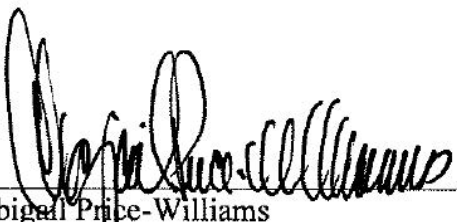
DATE: October 20, 2020

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging the United States Congress to allocate additional funding to airports to provide economic relief as a result of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) similar to funding allocated under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)

Resolution No. R-1092-20

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Vice Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa and Co-Sponsor Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson.


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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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10-20-20

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-1092-20

RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS
TO ALLOCATE ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO AIRPORTS TO
PROVIDE ECONOMIC RELIEF AS A RESULT OF
CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SIMILAR TO
FUNDING ALLOCATED UNDER THE CORONAVIRUS AID,
RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT)

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (“CARES”) Act provided \$10 billion in funds to be awarded as economic relief to eligible United States airports for the prevention of, preparation for, and response to the coronavirus disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) pandemic; and

WHEREAS, funding made available to airports through the CARES Act could be used for airport capital expenditures, airport operating expenses including payroll and utilities, and airport debt payments; and

WHEREAS, Miami International Airport offers more flights to Latin America and the Caribbean than any other airport in the country; and

WHEREAS, Miami International Airport is the third busiest airport for international travelers with more than 100 carriers and is the top U.S. airport for international freight; and

WHEREAS, since the COVID-19 pandemic, airports have been battered by steep revenue declines caused by a drastic decline in air travel; and

WHEREAS, commercial air traffic has decreased drastically affecting the revenues that airports receive from air carriers, concessions and passenger taxes and fees; and

WHEREAS, although airports around the country received a portion of CARES Act funding to support continuing obligations, more funding is needed to support ongoing airport operations; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress should provide additional funding to airports to support ongoing operations,

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

Section 1. Urges the United States Congress to allocate additional funding similar to funding allocated under the CARES Act to airports to provide economic relief as a result of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

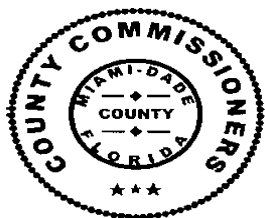
Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit certified copies of this resolution to the President of the United States and Members of the Miami-Dade County Congressional Legislative Delegation.

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 amend the 2020 Federal Legislative Package to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Vice Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa and the Co-Sponsor is Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson. It was offered by Commissioner **José "Pepe" Diaz**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Daniella Levine Cava** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Audrey M. Edmonson, Chairwoman	aye
Rebeca Sosa, Vice Chairwoman	aye
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	absent
Jose “Pepe” Diaz	aye
Eileen Higgins	aye
Joe A. Martinez	aye
Dennis C. Moss	aye
Xavier L. Suarez	aye
Daniella Levine Cava	aye
Sally A. Heyman	aye
Barbara J. Jordan	aye
Jean Monestime	absent
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 20th day of October, 2020. 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: **Melissa Adames**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Suzanne", written over a horizontal line.

Suzanne Villano-Charif