

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 5(G)

TO: Honorable Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: April 20, 2021

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution codesignating that
portion of S.W. 78th Street from
S.W. 77th Avenue to S.W. 87th
Avenue as "James Weir Way"
by a three-fifths vote of Board
members present

Resolution No. R-260-21

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


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
- ☒ 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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4-20-21

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-260-21

RESOLUTION CODESIGNATING THAT PORTION OF S.W.
78TH STREET FROM S.W. 77TH AVENUE TO S.W. 87TH
AVENUE AS “JAMES WEIR WAY” BY A THREE-FIFTHS
VOTE OF BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

WHEREAS, James Weir, also known as “Pap-pap,” grew up in Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, not far from Pittsburgh; and

WHEREAS, in August of 1943, Mr. Weir began serving in the U.S. Navy and went to war on behalf of his country, fighting in Europe during World War II; and

WHEREAS, on June 6, 1944, Coxswain Weir crossed the English Channel aboard an armored Landing Craft Tank to deliver tanks and troops onto the beaches of Normandy; and

WHEREAS, after the battle was won in Europe, Mr. Weir fought in the liberation of the Philippines and went onto Japan as part of the occupational forces after the war; and

WHEREAS, in between those pivotal moments, Mr. Weir returned to the United States on a brief leave after D-Day to marry his sweetheart, Laverne Myers; and

WHEREAS, the couple had been sweethearts since the time that Mr. Weir sat behind Laverne in sixth grade, and they were married for 73 years when she passed away in 2018; and

WHEREAS, after the war, Mr. Weir worked as a master electrician and was a renowned Corvette racer, leading the National Corvette Club as its president; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Weir now resides with his family in County Commission District 7 in unincorporated Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, he has two grandchildren and six great-grandchildren who love him dearly;
and

WHEREAS, Rule 9.02(a) of the Board's Rules of Procedure provides that resolutions regarding the proposed naming, renaming, or codesignation of Miami-Dade County roads, facilities, or properties shall be sponsored by the District Commissioner where the road, facility, or property is located; and

WHEREAS, the portion of S.W. 78th Street from S.W. 77th Avenue to S.W. 87th Avenue is a County-maintained road located in unincorporated Miami-Dade County and in County Commission District 7; and

WHEREAS, Rule 9.02(d) of the Board's Rules of Procedure provides that the Board may, by a three-fifths vote of members present, name a County road, facility or property after a living individual who has not served as an elected official within the past five years and who "has made a direct, significant lifetime contribution to this community"; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to honor Mr. Weir for his significant military service during World War II and his longtime commitment to community and family by codesignating S.W. 78th Street from S.W. 77th Avenue to S.W. 87th Avenue as "James Weir Way,"

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

Section 1. Finds that Mr. Weir has made a direct, significant lifetime contribution to this community pursuant to Rule 9.02(d).

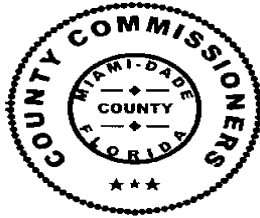
Section 2. Having considered this matter at a public hearing, and by a three-fifths vote of Board members present, codesignates that portion of S.W. 78th Street from S.W. 77th Avenue to S.W. 87th Avenue as "James Weir Way".

Section 3. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the United States Postal Service, the Traffic Signals and Signs Division of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, the Development Services Division of the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department, the Miami-Dade Police Department, and the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Raquel A. Regalado. It was offered by Commissioner **Raquel A. Regalado**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Jose “Pepe” Diaz, Chairman	aye	
	Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Vice-Chairman	aye	
Sen. René García	aye	Keon Hardemon	aye
Sally A. Heyman	aye	Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye
Eileen Higgins	aye	Joe A. Martinez	absent
Kionne L. McGhee	aye	Jean Monestime	aye
Raquel A. Regalado	aye	Rebeca Sosa	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 20th day of April, 2021. 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 blue ink, appearing to read "James", is written over a horizontal line.

James Eddie Kirtley