

MEMORANDUM

Amended
Agenda Item No. 14(A)(2)

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

DATE: September 1, 2021

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the
County Mayor to: (a) plan,
and (b) identify, allocate and
use legally available funds
consistent with the Mayor's
delegated authority for, an
annual Countywide parade
and associated events to honor
first responders and healthcare
workers for sacrifices made for
Miami-Dade County residents,
including during the coronavirus
disease 2019 ("COVID-19")
pandemic; further directing
the County Mayor to provide
a Report

Resolution No. R-836-21

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Co-Prime Sponsors Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins and Vice-Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III.



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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	Amended
Veto	_____		Agenda Item No. 14(A)(2)
Override	_____		9-1-21

RESOLUTION NO. R-836-21

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO: (A) PLAN, AND (B) IDENTIFY, ALLOCATE AND USE LEGALLY AVAILABLE FUNDS CONSISTENT WITH THE MAYOR’S DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR, AN ANNUAL COUNTYWIDE PARADE AND ASSOCIATED EVENTS TO HONOR FIRST RESPONDERS AND HEALTHCARE WORKERS FOR SACRIFICES MADE FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY RESIDENTS, INCLUDING DURING THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (“COVID-19”) PANDEMIC; FURTHER DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE A REPORT

WHEREAS, the coronavirus disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) pandemic has had a devastating impact on communities globally and locally since March 2020; and

WHEREAS, this Board acknowledges that the COVID-19 pandemic has been a significant burden on first responders and healthcare professionals, and appreciates the efforts these volunteer and professional workers have exhibited throughout the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, during the 116th United States Congress, Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA) introduced Senate Congressional Resolutions 15 and 48, Rep. Mark Meadows (R-NC-11) introduced House Congressional Resolution 37, and Rep. Rosa L. DeLauro (D-CT-3) introduced House Congressional Resolution 99 (“Concurrent Resolutions”), expressing support for the designation of October 28th as “Honoring the Nation’s First Responders Day”; and

WHEREAS, the Concurrent Resolutions state that first responders, including professional and volunteer firefighters, police officers, emergency medical technicians, and paramedics deserve recognition for their commitment to safety, defense, and honor; and

WHEREAS, the Concurrent Resolutions acknowledge that the people of the United States have depended on the service and sacrifices of first responders during the national emergency relating to the COVID-19 pandemic, and encourage the people of the United States to observe Honoring the Nation's First Responders Day with appropriate ceremonies and activities that promote awareness of the contributions of first responders in the United States; and

WHEREAS, doctors, nurses, and other healthcare workers have also spent countless hours treating those affected by COVID-19, often sacrificing their own health to treat others; and

WHEREAS, this Board shares the sentiments of the Concurrent Resolutions and desires to publicly acknowledge first responders and healthcare workers, by holding an annual Countywide Parade of Heroes on or around October 28, 2021, and on or around October 28 each year thereafter, in appreciation of the sacrifices they have made for Miami-Dade County residents, including during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, in December 2020, the United States Food and Drug Administration issued Emergency Use Authorizations ("EUA") for two COVID-19 vaccines, and issued an EUA for a third vaccine in February 2021; and

WHEREAS, considering that the COVID-19 pandemic continues to have a significant impact on Miami-Dade County, this Board believes that encouraging members of the community to take the COVID-19 vaccine can benefit the county residents, individually and collectively; and

WHEREAS, this Board believes that informing the community about the COVID-19 vaccines and including a COVID-19 vaccine site in the parade festivities may aid in reducing the number of persons hospitalized in Miami-Dade County with COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, this Board also seeks the engagement of Miami-Dade County students in an art contest to educate the community about the availability and benefits of COVID-19 vaccines,

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

Section 1. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to plan an annual Countywide "Parade of Heroes" on or around October 28, 2021, and on or around October 28, for each year thereafter, to celebrate the sacrifices first responders and healthcare workers have made for Miami-Dade County residents, including during the coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19") pandemic. In planning the parade, the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee shall, at a minimum: (a) determine the most appropriate route and logistics for the parade, including virtual options, considering the effect that the COVID-19 pandemic continues to have on Miami-Dade County; (b) develop information, methodologies and mediums to educate the community, prior to and during the parade, on the availability of the COVID-19 vaccines and consider offering vaccinations as a portion of the parade festivities; and (c) identify appropriate entities with whom to partner to develop an art contest among students in public, private, charter, and home schools in Miami-Dade County, with the winners to be presented as part of the parade festivities.

Section 2. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to: (a) identify legally available funds consistent with the Mayor's delegated authority for the parade and related activities referenced in section 1 above; and (b) if such legally available funds are identified, to allocate and use such funds to pay for and to undertake the parade and related activities referenced in section 1 above.

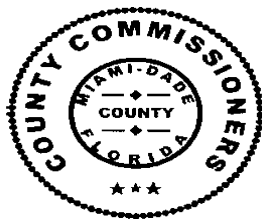
Section 3. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to provide, within 30 days of the effective date of this resolution, a written report to this Board on the actions referenced in sections 1 and 2 above, to include, at a minimum, an analysis of: (a) the required costs of the parade, including, but not limited to, equipment, and staffing costs; and (b) the

available, allocated and/or used funding source(s) for the parade or, alternatively, if such funds are not available, provide recommendations on how the parade may be effectuated, including but not limited to, possible alternative sources of funding and in-kind contributions. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is further directed to place the completed report on an agenda of this Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Co-Prime Sponsors of the foregoing resolution are Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins and Vice-Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III. It was offered by Commissioner **Danielle Cohen Higgins**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Oliver G. Gilbert, III** 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	absent	Jean Monestime	aye
Raquel A. Regalado	aye	Rebeca Sosa	absent
Sen. Javier D. Souto	absent		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 1st day of September, 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 dark ink, appearing to read "AAP", is written over a horizontal line.

Ashlee A. Pouncy