

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(7)

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

DATE: February 1, 2022

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County
Mayor to determine the
feasibility of partnering with
Florida Power and Light and the
Miami Blue Chapter of the North
American Butterfly Association
to establish a butterfly garden
and requiring a report

Resolution No. R-135-22

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



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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 _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(7)
2-1-22

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-135-22

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR
COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO DETERMINE THE
FEASIBILITY OF PARTNERING WITH FLORIDA POWER
AND LIGHT AND THE MIAMI BLUE CHAPTER OF THE
NORTH AMERICAN BUTTERFLY ASSOCIATION TO
ESTABLISH A BUTTERFLY GARDEN AND REQUIRING A
REPORT

WHEREAS, the Miami Blue Chapter of the North American Butterfly Association is
located in southeast Florida and named after one of the region's rarest butterflies; and

WHEREAS, the Miami Blue Chapter of the North American Butterfly Association works
to encourage butterfly habitat throughout South Florida; and

WHEREAS, South Florida is home to a wide range of butterfly species; and

WHEREAS, according to butterfly conservationists, areas filled with butterflies, moths,
and other invertebrates benefit from pollination and natural pest control, and butterflies and moths
are also an important part of the food chain by providing food for birds, bats, and other animals;
and

WHEREAS, educating the public regarding butterfly preservation results in a greater
understanding of the importance of butterflies to our ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, Florida Power and Light ("FPL") owns property throughout Miami-Dade
County that could be utilized in a way to encourage butterfly populations through the planting of
butterfly gardens; and

WHEREAS, FPL owns the property identified by Folio No. 30-5912-000-0060, located between SW 106th Street to the north and 109th Terrace to the south, bound by 127th Avenue to the west (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the Property would be an ideal location to establish a butterfly garden; and

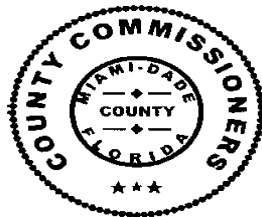
WHEREAS, this Board desires to increase butterfly populations in Miami-Dade County and to educate residents regarding the importance of butterflies,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby directs the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to, within 120 days of the effective date of this resolution, prepare a written report detailing the feasibility of partnering with the Miami Blue Chapter of the North American Butterfly Association and Florida Power and Light for establishing a butterfly garden on the Property owned by Florida Power and Light, and identifying possible additional property owned by Florida Power and Light throughout Miami-Dade County. The report shall also detail an education campaign to educate residents on the importance of butterfly habitat. The completed report to this Board shall be placed on an agenda of this Board in accordance with Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Raquel A. Regalado. It was offered by Commissioner **Joe A. Martinez** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Kionne L. McGhee** 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	aye
Kionne L. McGhee	aye	Jean Monestime	aye
Raquel A. Regalado	absent	Rebeca Sosa	absent
Sen. Javier D. Souto	absent		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 1st day of February, 2022. 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

Melissa Adames
By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Melanie J. Spencer