

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(6)

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

**DATE:** November 16, 2021

**FROM:** Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. and Secretary of State Antony J. Blinken to adopt a 'friend-shoring' policy targeted at redirecting United States business supply chains from China to diplomatic allies in Latin America

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Resolution No. R-1114-21

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

  
Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

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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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11-16-21

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ R-1114-21

RESOLUTION URGING PRESIDENT JOSEPH R. BIDEN, JR.  
AND SECRETARY OF STATE ANTONY J. BLINKEN TO  
ADOPT A ‘FRIEND-SHORING’ POLICY TARGETED AT  
REDIRECTING UNITED STATES BUSINESS SUPPLY  
CHAINS FROM CHINA TO DIPLOMATIC ALLIES IN LATIN  
AMERICA

**WHEREAS**, the supply chains of many American firms are dependent on Chinese industry; and

**WHEREAS**, the Biden administration has stated that it hopes to reduce the United States’ dependence on foreign supplies such as semiconductors and batteries; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the President of the Inter-American Development Bank (“IDB”), Latin American economies could make an extra \$70,000,000,000.00 a year if the United States managed to replace ten percent of China’s exports to the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, several large, international firms, such as Volkswagen, Intel, and Teleperformance, have recently committed to significantly increasing operations in Latin America; and

**WHEREAS**, IDB experts say that several Latin American countries use cleaner energies than China; and

**WHEREAS**, a ‘friend-shoring’ policy would entail a plan to redirect United States business supply chains from China to diplomatic allies in Latin America,

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

**Section 1.** Urges President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. and Secretary of State Antony J. Blinken to adopt a ‘friend-shoring’ policy targeted at redirecting United States business supply chains from China to diplomatic allies in Latin America.

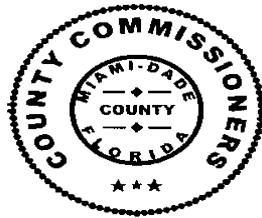
**Section 2.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, to the Members of the Florida Congressional Delegation, and to the Secretary of the United States Department of State.

**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 include this item in the 2022 Federal Legislative Package when it is presented to the Board.

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

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 16<sup>th</sup> day of November, 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

**Melissa Adames**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

Christian J. Fernandez-Andes