

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(21)

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

DATE: December 1, 2021

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging the Florida
Legislature to provide funding
for the Westchester Health and
Wellness Information Center

Resolution No. R-1191-21

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Senator Javier D. Souto.



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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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12-1-21

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-1191-21

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO
PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE WESTCHESTER HEALTH
AND WELLNESS INFORMATION CENTER

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. R-916-04, the voters of Miami-Dade County approved the issuance of general obligation bonds to construct and improve, among other things, healthcare facilities to promote accessibility to quality healthcare services; and

WHEREAS, this Board approved the allocation of funds for the construction of the Westchester Health and Wellness Information Center, located at 9445 Coral Way, Miami, FL 33165 (“Wellness Center”), to serve the residents of Commission District 10; and

WHEREAS, the Wellness Center was created by action of this Board, and was spearheaded by Senator Javier D. Souto; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Public Library System will manage the Wellness Center which is currently under construction and has a projected opening of early 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Wellness Center will be a state-of-the-art health, nutrition, exercise, and disease prevention resource for Miami-Dade residents; and

WHEREAS, the Wellness Center is a facility created for the residents of Miami-Dade by this Board; and

WHEREAS, the services provided at the Wellness Center will be provided free of charge; and

WHEREAS, this Board would like to urge the Florida legislature to provide funding to build the compilation of educational materials at the Wellness Center, consisting of digital/physical books, serials, databases, and DVDs in English and Spanish, that will provide needed information for the community on health-related topics,

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

Section 1. Urges the Florida Legislature to provide funding to build the compilation of educational materials at the Wellness Center, consisting of digital/physical books, serials, databases, and DVDs in English and Spanish, that will provide needed information for the community on health-related topics.

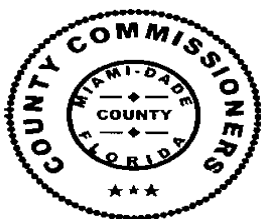
Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, and the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the appropriation set forth in Section 1 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2022 State Legislative Package to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Senator Javier D. Souto. It was offered by Commissioner **Sally A. Heyman** , 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	absent	Keon Hardemon	aye
Sally A. Heyman	aye	Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye
Eileen Higgins	aye	Joe A. Martinez	aye
Kionne L. McGhee	aye	Jean Monestime	absent
Raquel A. Regalado	aye	Rebeca Sosa	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye		

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

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Melanie J. Spencer