

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(20)

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

DATE: January 19, 2022

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County
Mayor to negotiate, and to the
extent possible, execute a Sister
City Agreement with Curitiba,
Brazil and provide a report

Resolution No. R-74-22

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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1-19-22

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-74-22

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR
COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE, AND TO
THE EXTENT POSSIBLE, EXECUTE A SISTER CITY
AGREEMENT WITH CURITIBA, BRAZIL AND PROVIDE A
REPORT

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "County") has long established affiliations and partnerships with other cities throughout the world in the form of cooperative relationships which foster the exchange of cultural, educational, business, and technical ideas and practices; and

WHEREAS, Sister Cities International is an international nonprofit organization created during President Dwight D. Eisenhower's 1956 White House summit on citizen diplomacy to encourage and foster bonds between people from different communities around the world; and

WHEREAS, Sister Cities International recommends formalizing a sister cities relationship through execution of a memorandum of understanding between the two communities; and

WHEREAS, in 1981, the Miami-Dade Sister Cities Program (the "Program") was founded by the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board"); and

WHEREAS, the Program has established sister cities relationships with more than 30 cities throughout the world, developing innovative projects, furthering international cooperation and understanding between the County and our respective sister cities, and helping promote the County's position as the Gateway to the Americas; and

WHEREAS, in light of the great benefits brought by sister cities relationships, the County would like to direct the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to negotiate, and to the extent possible, execute a Sister City Agreement with Curitiba, Brazil,

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

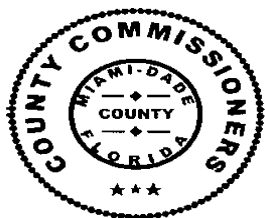
Section 1. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to negotiate, and to the extent possible, execute a Sister City Agreement with Curitiba, Brazil.

Section 2. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to provide a report directly to this Board, without committee review, within 60 days of the effective date of this resolution regarding the status of the negotiation and execution of the agreement referenced in Section 1 above and place the completed report on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Senator Javier D. Souto. It was offered by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **José "Pepe" Diaz** 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	aye	Rebeca Sosa	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 19th day of January, 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

By: **Melissa Adames**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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