

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(23)

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

DATE: April 5, 2022

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution encouraging all residents of Miami-Dade County to participate in the humanitarian relief efforts for Ukrainian refugees; directing the County Mayor to, if necessary, provide appropriate County staff and facilities to assist in collecting, transporting, and distributing donations and supplies for countries accepting Ukrainian refugees

Resolution No. R-349-22

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz.



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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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4-5-22

RESOLUTION NO. R-349-22

RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING ALL RESIDENTS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF EFFORTS FOR UKRAINIAN REFUGEES; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO, IF NECESSARY, PROVIDE APPROPRIATE COUNTY STAFF AND FACILITIES TO ASSIST IN COLLECTING, TRANSPORTING, AND DISTRIBUTING DONATIONS AND SUPPLIES FOR COUNTRIES ACCEPTING UKRAINIAN REFUGEES

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2022, Ukraine suffered an unprovoked and unjustified attack by Russian military forces; and

WHEREAS, the mass assault by land, sea, and air is the biggest attack on a European state since World War II; and

WHEREAS, the Russian invasion of Ukraine has created Europe's largest refugee crisis since World War II, driving more than 4.2 million people out of the country, according to the United Nations (U.N.); and

WHEREAS, at least half of those people who have fled Ukraine are children, according to the United Nations Children's Fund; and

WHEREAS, the number of Ukrainians who have been forced to flee their homeland has now exceeded the worst-case predictions made at the start of the war; and

WHEREAS, of those who have managed to leave Ukraine since Russia's invasion, more than 2.3 million people have gone to Poland alone, U.N. data shows; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of people have fled to other European countries, including Hungary and Slovakia; and

WHEREAS, border posts along Ukraine’s arching 1,600-mile western border have been overwhelmed; and

WHEREAS, lines to get into Poland have stretched as long as 20 miles, with people waiting through long days and frigid nights, often without food and water; and

WHEREAS, due to this massive humanitarian crisis, this Board believes it is necessary to provide humanitarian relief to those countries accepting Ukrainian refugees; and

WHEREAS, County staff and facilities may be necessary for the public purpose of providing humanitarian relief to those countries accepting Ukrainian refugees,

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

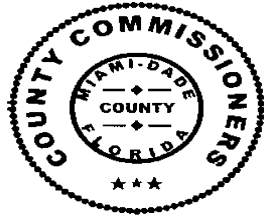
Section 1. Encourages all residents of Miami-Dade County to support and participate in the humanitarian relief efforts for Ukrainian refugees.

Section 2. Directs the County Mayor or Mayor’s designee to, if necessary, based upon coordination with the Chairman, provide appropriate County staff and facilities to assist in collecting and transporting donations and supplies for countries accepting Ukrainian refugees.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz. It was offered by Commissioner _____, 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	absent	Keon Hardemon	absent
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	absent
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 5th day of April, 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: **Basia Pruna**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Ryan Carlin