

**MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(8)

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| <b>TO:</b>   | Honorable Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz<br>and Members, Board of County Commissioners | <b>DATE:</b>    | November 15, 2022                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>FROM:</b> | Geri Bonzon-Keenan<br>County Attorney                                             | <b>SUBJECT:</b> | Resolution declaring<br>November 2022 and the month<br>of November in each<br>subsequent year thereafter as<br>“Veterans and Military<br>Families Month” in Miami-<br>Dade County |

Resolution No. R-1121-22

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

  
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Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

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11-15-22

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ R-1121-22

RESOLUTION DECLARING NOVEMBER 2022 AND THE  
MONTH OF NOVEMBER IN EACH SUBSEQUENT YEAR  
THEREAFTER AS “VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES  
MONTH” IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

**WHEREAS**, the community of Miami-Dade County has great respect for and gratitude to all the people who have served and continue to serve our country and this community as members of the United States military and their families; and

**WHEREAS**, the families of veterans and military members, though they may not wear military uniforms, make sacrifices for our national security; and

**WHEREAS**, Veterans Day is celebrated each year on November 11; and

**WHEREAS**, President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. proclaimed November 2022 “National Veterans and Military Families Month”; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board supports its veterans and their families through numerous initiatives, including but not limited to, the Military Affairs Board, which advocates for and provides recommendations regarding the military and veterans to the Board of County Commissioners; the funding and support of the Miami-Dade Military Museum; the establishment of the Veterans Treatment Court for certain veterans facing the criminal justice system; the Medal of Valor program, which recognizes the ultimate sacrifice made by veterans from Miami-Dade County; the erection of monuments memorializing the sacrifices of fallen veterans, including the Wall of Heroes monument under construction in the atrium of the Stephen P. Clark Center, which

will also serve as a place of reflection for the families of such fallen veterans; and its participation in Operation Green Light for Veterans, in which major County Buildings are lit with green lights from November 7 to November 13 to show support for veterans; and

**WHEREAS**, the community of Miami-Dade County owes the families of veterans and military members a debt of gratitude for their strength and service, for uprooting their lives every few years and moving to new communities and for supporting and caring for our service members when they return home; and

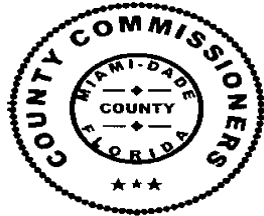
**WHEREAS**, the Board would like to honor the strength, service, and sacrifices of the families of veterans and current military service members,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board hereby declares the month of November 2022, and the month of November in each subsequent year, as “Veterans and Military Families Month.”

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Jose “Pepe” Diaz. It was offered by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa**, 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:

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|                  | 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>aye</b>                           | Danielle Cohen Higgins <b>aye</b>  |
| Eileen Higgins   | <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>absent</b> |

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 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

**Basia Pruna**

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

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Veronica Sanchez