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OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(11)

TO: Honorable Chairman Oliver G. Gilbert, III
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: March 7, 2023

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County Mayor to wrap at least one vehicle each from the Department of Solid Waste Management, the Miami-Dade Police Department, the Department of Transportation and Public Works, and the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department in ceremonial wrapping to raise awareness of childhood cancer; directing the County Mayor to incorporate the logo of the Live Like Bella Foundation in the design and to partner with the Vice Chair of the Board for final approval of the design; further directing the County Mayor to ensure the vehicles are prominently used or displayed during the month of September to raise awareness of childhood cancer

Resolution No. R-220-23

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Anthony Rodríguez.



Geri Bonzon-Keenan
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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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3-7-23

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-220-23

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO WRAP AT LEAST ONE VEHICLE EACH FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT, THE MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS, AND THE MIAMI-DADE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT IN CEREMONIAL WRAPPING TO RAISE AWARENESS OF CHILDHOOD CANCER; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO INCORPORATE THE LOGO OF THE LIVE LIKE BELLA FOUNDATION IN THE DESIGN AND TO PARTNER WITH THE VICE CHAIR OF THE BOARD FOR FINAL APPROVAL OF THE DESIGN; FURTHER DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO ENSURE THE VEHICLES ARE PROMINENTLY USED OR DISPLAYED DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER TO RAISE AWARENESS OF CHILDHOOD CANCER

WHEREAS, childhood cancer is the leading cause of death by disease for children under the age of 14, and the second leading cause of death overall; and

WHEREAS, more than 40 children are diagnosed with cancer in the United States every day; and

WHEREAS, the five-year survival rate for children with cancer has increased from 58 percent in the mid-1970s to 84 percent in 2019; and

WHEREAS, about 483,000 childhood cancer survivors live in the United States; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Cancer Institute, despite the overall decrease in mortality, approximately 1,800 children and adolescents still die of cancer each year in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Live Like Bella Childhood Cancer Foundation (“Live Like Bella Foundation”) was founded in Miami-Dade County, Florida in 2013 in memory of Bella Rodriguez-Torres, who passed away at 10 years old after a six-year battle with an advanced and rare form of cancer known as Alveolar Rhabdomyosarcoma; and

WHEREAS, the Live Like Bella Foundation was founded by Bella’s family with the mission to help children with cancer maintain the same love for life that Bella had; and

WHEREAS, the Live Like Bella Foundation works to raise awareness and offer emotional and financial support to families affected by childhood cancer; and

WHEREAS, this Board also wishes to raise awareness of childhood cancer, not only to honor children and families who have been affected by the disease, but also to promote the research and treatment of childhood cancer; and

WHEREAS, ceremonial vehicle wrappings have been applied to Miami-Dade County vehicles for a number of other causes, including a breast cancer awareness vehicle, a Pride vehicle honoring the LGBTQIA community, a DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) vehicle, an Honor Guard vehicle, an Autism Awareness vehicle in honor of World Autism Awareness Day, and a STAND (Students Together Against Negative Decisions) vehicle; and

WHEREAS, Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is recognized every September by childhood cancer organizations around the world; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to raise awareness for childhood cancer by having vehicles from the Department of Solid Waste Management, the Miami-Dade Police Department, the Department of Transportation and Public Works, and the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department wrapped in ceremonial wrapping that also recognizes the efforts of the Live Like Bella Foundation,

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 wrap at least one vehicle each from the Department of Solid Waste Management, the Miami-Dade Police Department, the Department of Transportation and Public Works, and the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department in ceremonial wrapping to raise awareness of childhood cancer.

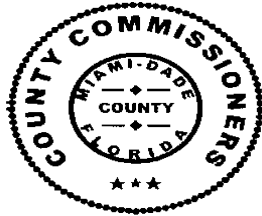
Section 2. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to incorporate the logo of the Live Like Bella Foundation in the design and to partner with the Vice Chairman of the Board for final approval of the design of the ceremonial wrapping for the vehicles.

Section 3. Further directs the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to ensure the vehicles are prominently used or displayed, where permitted, during the month of September to raise awareness of childhood cancer in recognition of Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Vice Chairman Anthony Rodríguez. It was offered by Commissioner **Anthony Rodriguez**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Marleine Bastien** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Chairman	aye	
Anthony Rodríguez, Vice Chairman	aye	
Marleine Bastien	aye	Juan Carlos Bermudez aye
Kevin Marino Cabrera	aye	Sen. René García absent
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon aye
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye	Eileen Higgins aye
Kionne L. McGhee	aye	Raquel A. Regalado aye
Micky Steinberg	aye	

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of March, 2023. 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

LUIS G. MONTALDO, CLERK AD INTERIM

Basia Pruna

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "AV", is written over a horizontal line.

Anita Viciano Zapata