

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(15)

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

DATE: July 6, 2023

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution recognizing
September 2023 and
September of each year
thereafter as "Cuban Heritage
Month" in Miami-Dade
County

Resolution No. R-663-23

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


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County Attorney

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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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7-6-23

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-663-23

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2023 AND
SEPTEMBER OF EACH YEAR THEREAFTER AS “CUBAN
HERITAGE MONTH” IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

WHEREAS, more than one million Cubans have fled to the United States since 1959, many of whom have established themselves in Miami-Dade County (the “County”) and other parts of Florida; and

WHEREAS, according to the Cuban Research Institute at Florida International University, nearly a million residents of Cuban origin live in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the influx of Cubans since 1959 has shaped the County’s demographics, culture, and history, and Cuban-Americans are increasingly represented in business, public service, education, and community service careers throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, many famous Cuban-Americans have called Miami-Dade County home, including businessman and advocate for Cuban democracy, the late Jorge Mas Canosa; Grammy-winning singer Armando Christian Pérez, otherwise known as “Pitbull”; singer, songwriter, actress, and businesswoman Gloria Estefan; Central Intelligence Officer Félix Rodríguez, who earned the rare Intelligence Star of Valor; and United States Senators Marco Antonio Rubio and Melquiades “Mel” Rafael Ruiz Martínez; and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2023, the Florida House of Representatives adopted House Resolution 8063, recognizing the month of September of 2023 as “Cuban Heritage Month” to honor the cultural and economic contributions of the Cuban community to the state of Florida; and

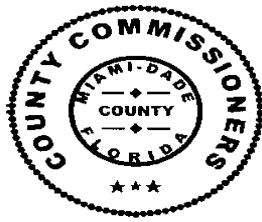
WHEREAS, the Board seeks to celebrate the Cuban-American community and recognize the many contributions Cuban-Americans have made to the County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board seeks to recognize September of 2023 and September of each year thereafter as “Cuban Heritage Month” in Miami-Dade County.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Vice Chairman Anthony Rodríguez. It was offered by Commissioner **Danielle Cohen Higgins** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Juan Carlos Bermudez** 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	absent
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye	Eileen Higgins	aye
Kionne L. McGhee	aye	Raquel A. Regalado	absent
Micky Steinberg	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of July, 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

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

Basia Pruna

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

SMG

Sophia Guzzo