

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 5(C)

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

DATE: June 4, 2024

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution codesignating and
approving the State of
Florida's codesignation of
that portion of Southwest
168th Street between U.S. 1
and Southwest 89th Avenue
as "Pastor Rick Blackwood
Street"

Resolution No. R-472-24

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins.



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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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6-4-24

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-472-24

RESOLUTION CODESIGNATING AND APPROVING THE
STATE OF FLORIDA'S CODESIGNATION OF THAT
PORTION OF SOUTHWEST 168TH STREET BETWEEN U.S. 1
AND SOUTHWEST 89TH AVENUE AS "PASTOR RICK
BLACKWOOD STREET"

WHEREAS, Pastor Rick Blackwood was born on November 2, 1956, in South Carolina to Walter Gene Blackwood and Maxine Odom Blackwood; and

WHEREAS, Rick Blackwood graduated from Baptist Bible College with a Bachelor of Science in Springfield, Missouri, and he achieved a degree in Theology in the same institution; and

WHEREAS, Rick Blackwood also graduated with a Master of Arts from Southeastern Bible College in Birmingham, Alabama, a Master of Divinity from Luther Rice Seminary in Atlanta, Georgia, a Doctor of Ministry from Grace Theological Seminary in Winona Lake, Indiana, a Doctor of Philosophy from California Graduate School of Theology in Glendale, California, and a Doctor of Education from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Rick Blackwood married Rhonda, his college sweetheart, on November 5, 1977; and

WHEREAS, Rick and Rhonda Blackwood welcomed their two daughters, Natalie and Rebekah, into the world on December 13, 1978, and March 14, 1982, respectively; and

WHEREAS, Rick Blackwood was the lead pastor of Christ Fellowship Miami from 1996 until his retirement in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the church saw substantial growth during Rick Blackwood's tenure, becoming a multicultural church with multiple campuses; and

WHEREAS, Rick Blackwood passed away on Friday, August 4, 2023, at the age of 66 years old; and

WHEREAS, during the 2024 legislative session, the Florida Legislature passed HB 389 which, among other things, codesignated that portion of Southwest 168th Street between U.S. 1 and Southwest 89th Avenue in Miami-Dade County as "Pastor Rick Blackwood Street"; and

WHEREAS, HB 389 has not yet been signed into law by the Governor; and

WHEREAS, section 334.071, Florida Statutes, provides that once an honorary road designation has been made by the Florida Legislature, the installation of road designation signs or markers shall be contingent on the applicable county or city commission passing a resolution in support of the particular honorary road designation; and

WHEREAS, this Board would also like to honor Pastor Rick Blackwood for his contributions to the community; and

WHEREAS, that portion of Southwest 168th Street between U.S. 1 and Southwest 89th Avenue is a County-maintained road in the Village of Palmetto Bay; and

WHEREAS, this codesignation is located in County Commission District 8,

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

Section 1. Having considered this matter at a public hearing, codesignates that portion of Southwest 168th Street between U.S. 1 and Southwest 89th Avenue as "Pastor Rick Blackwood Street."

Section 2. Approves the State of Florida's codesignation of that portion of Southwest 168th Street between U.S. 1 and Southwest 89th Avenue as "Pastor Rick Blackwood Street."

Section 3. Directs the Clerk of the Board to send certified copies of this resolution to the Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation, the United States Postal Service, the Traffic Signals and Signs Division of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, the Development Services Division of the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department, the Miami-Dade Police Department, the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department, and the Palmetto Bay Police Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Danielle Cohen Higgins. It was offered by Commissioner **Anthony Rodriguez** , 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:

	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	absent	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 4th day of June, 2024. 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

By: Basia Pruna
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "CJF", written over a horizontal line.

Christian Fernandez-Andes