

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(6)

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

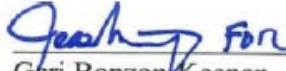
DATE: September 17, 2024

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the City of
Miami Beach's codesignation of
that portion of 9th Street between
Ocean Drive and West Avenue in
the City of Miami Beach as
"Commissioner Nancy Liebman
Way"

Resolution No. R-826-24

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



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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 ____, majority plus one ____, 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) ____, 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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RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-826-24

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH'S
CODESIGNATION OF THAT PORTION OF 9TH STREET
BETWEEN OCEAN DRIVE AND WEST AVENUE IN THE
CITY OF MIAMI BEACH AS "COMMISSIONER NANCY
LIEBMAN WAY"

WHEREAS, in 1959, Nancy Liebman and her husband Norman moved to Miami; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Liebman has been an active and civic-minded member of her community for decades, contributing to the community as a Miami Beach City Commissioner, preservationist, and activist; and

WHEREAS, while Commissioner Liebman is perhaps best known in the City of Miami Beach for the eight years she served on the City Commission and for her tireless work with historic preservation, she also co-founded the only city-wide residents' advocacy group, Miami Beach United, in 2012, where she served as president for several years; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Liebman was first elected to the Miami Beach City Commission in 1993, where she served until 2001, as she continued to support historic preservation efforts; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Liebman's first major experience with historic preservation came in 1978, when, as a Miami Beach Parent-Teacher Association president, Commissioner Liebman became involved in a movement to protect the Leroy D. Feinberg Elementary School in South Beach from demolition; and

WHEREAS, saving the architecturally notable Leroy D. Feinberg Elementary School introduced Commissioner Liebman to Barbara Baer Capitman, founder of the Miami Design Preservation League ("MDPL" or "League"); and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Liebman joined MDPL and immediately became fascinated by the pioneering movement to preserve South Beach's unique Art Deco architecture; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the MDPL's efforts, the South Beach Art Deco district was designated as a National Register District in 1979; and

WHEREAS, in 1992, while Commissioner Liebman was MDPL's Executive Director, the League was able to convince the Miami Beach City Commission to designate the entire one-square mile area of South Beach as a local historic district, giving the area additional protection under local preservation laws; and

WHEREAS, in 1986, Commissioner Liebman also successfully advocated for and secured the approval from the City's Planning Board and City Commission, despite a previous 6-1 vote against, to add a Historic Planning seat on the Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, when the City of Miami designated the Miami Modern ("MiMo") Biscayne Boulevard Historic District, Commissioner Liebman and a few other preservationists assisted the City of Miami's Upper East Side community with their historic preservation efforts; and

WHEREAS, as a result, the MiMo Biscayne Association was formed in 2007, and Commissioner Liebman served as President for several years until she stepped down to serve on the City's Historic Preservation Board from 2016 through 2022, leading in a number of enhancements which continue to be implemented to this day; and

WHEREAS, that portion of 9th Street between Ocean Drive and West Avenue is a city-maintained road in the City of Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS, at the September 11, 2024 Miami Beach City Commission meeting, the Mayor and City Commission adopted Resolution No. 2024-33276, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, which codesignated that portion of 9th Street between Ocean Drive and West Avenue as “Commissioner Nancy Liebman Way”; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach would like the County to install signage indicating this codesignation on County street signs and traffic signal mast arms; and

WHEREAS, this codesignation is located in County Commission District 5; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to honor Nancy Liebman by approving the City of Miami Beach’s codesignation of that portion of 9th Street between Ocean Drive and West Avenue as “Commissioner Nancy Liebman Way”,

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

Section 1. Approves the City of Miami Beach’s codesignation of that portion of 9th Street between Ocean Drive and West Avenue as “Commissioner Nancy Liebman Way”.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to send certified copies of this resolution to the Mayor of City of Miami Beach, the members of the Miami Beach City Commission, 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 Beach Police Department, and the Miami Beach Fire Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Eileen Higgins. It was offered by Commissioner **Eileen Higgins**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Raquel A. Regalado** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Oliver G. Gilbert, III, Chairman	aye		
Anthony Rodríguez, Vice Chairman	absent		
Marleine Bastien	aye	Juan Carlos Bermudez	aye
Kevin Marino Cabrera	absent	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 17th day of September, 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.

Christian Fernandez-Andes

RESOLUTION NO. **2024-33276**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE, AT ITS JULY 10, 2024 MEETING, AND APPROVING, BY 5/7TH VOTE, FOLLOWING A DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING, THE CO-NAMING OF 9TH STREET BETWEEN OCEAN DRIVE AND WEST AVENUE AS "COMMISSIONER NANCY LIEBMAN WAY," SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL OF THE CO-NAMING BY THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-1, RULE 9.02 OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CODE.

WHEREAS, at the May 15, 2024 City Commission meeting, an item sponsored by Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt referred to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee ("PSNQLC") to discuss the co-naming of 9th Street between Ocean Drive and West Avenue in honor Commissioner Nancy Liebman; and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2024, the Mayor and City Commission adopted an ordinance amending Section 82-503(c) of the City Code to provide for additional criteria for the co-naming of street in honor of notable women who made significant contributions to the civic and/ or political fabric of Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Liebman has been a force of nature in her roles as City Commissioner, preservationist, and activist. While Commissioner Liebman may be best known in the City for the eight (8) years she served on the City Commission and for her tireless work with historic preservation, she also co-founded the only citywide residents' advocacy group, Miami Beach United, in 2012, where she served as president for several years; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Liebman's first brush with historic preservation came in 1978, when, as a Miami Beach Parent-Teacher Association president, Commissioner Liebman became involved in a fight to protect the Leroy D. Feinberg Elementary School in South Beach from demolition. Saving the architecturally notable old school put Commissioner Liebman in contact with Barbara Baer Capitman, founder of the Miami Design Preservation League ("MDPL" or "League"); and

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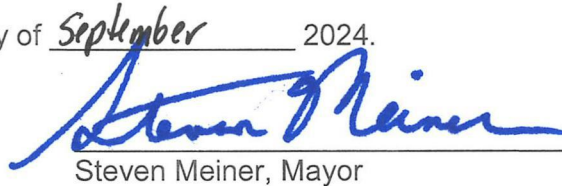
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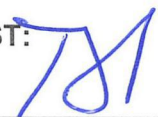
WHEREAS, as 9th Street is a platted, public road, the proposed co-naming must be approved by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners pursuant to Rule 9.02 of Section 2-1 of the Miami-Dade County Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby accept the recommendation of the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee, and approve, by 5/7th vote, following a duly noticed public hearing, the co-naming of 9th Street Between Ocean Drive and West Avenue as "Commissioner Nancy Liebman Way," subject to final approval of the co-naming by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners, in accordance with Section 2-1, rule 9.02 of the Miami-Dade County Code.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11 day of September 2024.


Steven Meiner, Mayor

ATTEST:


Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt)

Co-Sponsored by Commissioner David Suarez

Co-Sponsored by Commissioner Laura Dominguez



APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION


City Attorney

9/13/2024
Date