

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(8)

TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

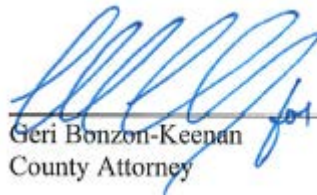
DATE: February 19, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County Mayor to collaborate with Miami-Dade County Public Schools to develop a curriculum to educate students about the importance of proper recycling and reducing solid waste; authorizing the County Mayor to take necessary steps to accomplish this purpose, including entering into an interlocal agreement or an education compact with Miami-Dade County Public Schools; and directing the County Mayor to provide a report to this Board

Resolution No. R-187-25

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Oliver G. Gilbert, III and Co-Sponsor Commissioner Micky Steinberg.



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County Attorney

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MEMORANDUM (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 ____, 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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2-19-25

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-187-25

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO COLLABORATE WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO DEVELOP A CURRICULUM TO EDUCATE STUDENTS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF PROPER RECYCLING AND REDUCING SOLID WASTE; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO TAKE NECESSARY STEPS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS PURPOSE, INCLUDING ENTERING INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT OR AN EDUCATION COMPACT WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE A REPORT TO THIS BOARD

WHEREAS, the average person in Miami-Dade County produces over one ton of garbage a year; and

WHEREAS, each year, Miami-Dade County generates over five million tons of waste, which, per capita, is more than twice the national average; and

WHEREAS, due to projected population growth and Miami-Dade County's role as a tourism hub, these figures are anticipated to continue rising; and

WHEREAS, through departments such as Solid Waste Management ("SWM") and the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources ("RER"), this Board has historically funded education initiatives and public outreach aimed at informing the public on ways to properly recycle and reduce waste; and

WHEREAS, these initiatives and programs are a step in the right direction, but more can be done as it relates to educating school-aged children in forming proper waste reduction habits and encouraging future innovation and positive change as it pertains to waste management; and

WHEREAS, by focusing on school-aged children, efforts can be made to promote waste management practices that will sustain Miami-Dade County's place as a global tourism destination for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, targeted educational efforts have proven successful, as evidenced by an educational pilot program in the City of Atlanta which led to a 27 percent increase in recyclable materials collected and a 57 percent decrease in the contamination of recycled materials; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to establish a partnership between the County and the Miami-Dade County Public Schools to ensure the youth of this community are learning about ways that they can help reduce waste and sustain the future and economic viability of this community,

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 collaborate with Miami-Dade County Public Schools to develop a curriculum that may be implemented commencing in the 2025-2026 school year to educate its Head Start, Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and First Grade students about the importance of proper recycling and reducing solid waste in our community.

Section 2. Authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to take necessary steps to accomplish the directive in section 1, including, but not limited to, entering into an interlocal agreement or an education compact with Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

Section 3. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to provide a report to this Board within 180 days of the effective date of this resolution regarding the directive in section 1 above and place the completed report on an agenda of the full Board without committee review pursuant to rule 5.06(j) of the Board's Rules of Procedure.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Oliver G. Gilbert, III and the Co-Sponsor is Commissioner Micky Steinberg. It was offered by Commissioner **Kionne L. McGhee**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Marleine Bastien** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 19th day of February, 2025. 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.

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Leigh C. Kobrinski