

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(3)

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

DATE: March 4, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution expressing the
intent of the Board to support
community participation in
the 6th Annual "Riding for a
Cause" bike ride and
fundraising efforts led by
Local 1403 and the Miami-
Dade Fire Rescue
Department

Resolution No. R-261-25

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Raquel A. Regalado.



Geri Bonzon-Keenan
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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3-4-25

RESOLUTION NO. R-261-25

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE INTENT OF THE BOARD
TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN THE 6TH
ANNUAL “RIDING FOR A CAUSE” BIKE RIDE AND
FUNDRAISING EFFORTS LED BY LOCAL 1403 AND THE
MIAMI-DADE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, autism spectrum disorder (“ASD”), often referred to as autism, is a range of neurodevelopmental disorders that are characterized, in varying degrees, by difficulties with social interaction, verbal and nonverbal communication, and repetitive behaviors; and

WHEREAS, although some people with ASD experience significant cognitive difficulties, they can possess extraordinary musical, artistic, linguistic, or mathematical skills, among other talents like exceptional memory; and

WHEREAS, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in 2020, approximately 1 in 36 American children were affected by ASD, nearly double the 1 in 68 rate identified by the CDC in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County has a long-standing history demonstrating its commitment to and support of ASD related matters, including designating April as Autism Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, Metro-Dade Firefighters Local 1403 (“Local 1403”) is holding its 6th annual Riding for a Cause bike ride on April 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Local 1403 has also partnered with Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department to authorize the sale of Autism Awareness t-shirts and badges, which may be worn by on-duty firefighters; and

WHEREAS, funds raised by Local 1403 through these efforts will be used to assist families of firefighters affected by ASD or charitable organizations that support autism advocacy, awareness, education, research, and families living with autism; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to express its intent to support these efforts to bring awareness and resources supporting individuals with and families affected by ASD,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board expresses its intent to support community participation in the 6th Annual Riding for a Cause bike ride taking place on April 12, 2025 and fundraising efforts led by Local 1403 and the Miami Dade Fire Rescue Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Raquel Regalado. It was offered by Commissioner **Danielle Cohen Higgins** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Roberto J. Gonzalez** 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	aye
Oliver G. Gilbert, III	absent	Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye
Keon Hardemon	aye	Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye
Eileen Higgins	absent	Raquel A. Regalado	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of March 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.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "LR", is written over a horizontal line.

Luis M. Reyes