

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(14)

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

DATE: March 4, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging Florida
Legislature to appropriate
funding for a workforce solution
project led by the Miami-Dade
Beacon Council

Resolution No. R-259-25

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Kevin Marino Cabrera.



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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 URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO
APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR A WORKFORCE SOLUTION
PROJECT LED BY THE MIAMI-DADE BEACON COUNCIL

WHEREAS, promoting local job opportunities for Miami-Dade County residents is an important goal of this Board; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Beacon Council is a non-profit organization whose mission is to drive a more sustainable, inclusive and competitive economy for Greater Miami by, among other things, bridging industry needs with talent development; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Beacon Council seeks funding to support a project it is leading, presently titled “TalentBridge: Empowering Florida’s Workforce, Strengthening Florida’s Economy” (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Project would create a centralized platform offering real-time labor market data showing trends and hiring needs, and map training programs, credentials, and funding options; and

WHEREAS, the Project would also provide targeted job training, internship opportunities, and feature workforce readiness programs, including programs to integrate disabled workers into the employment ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, the Project is accordingly anticipated to, among other benefits, increase employment in high-demand sectors and drive additional employment opportunities through improved workforce satisfaction scores; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2025, Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez (R – Doral) submitted Local Funding Initiative Request No. 1161 for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, which requested \$2,500,000.00 for the Project; and

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2025, Representative Demi Busatta Cabrera (R – Coral Gables) submitted Appropriations Project Request No. 3577 for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, which requested \$2,500,000.00 for the Project; and

WHEREAS, this board wishes to urge the Florida Legislature to provide funding for the “TalentBridge: Empowering Florida’s Workforce, Strengthening Florida’s Economy” project,

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

Section 1. Urges the Florida Legislature to appropriate funding for a workforce solution project led by the Miami-Dade Beacon Council, presently titled “TalentBridge: Empowering Florida’s Workforce, Strengthening Florida’s Economy.”

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor, the Senate President, the House Speaker, Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez, Representative Demi Busatta Cabrera, and the remaining Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County’s state lobbyists to advocate for the legislation described in Section 1 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2025 State Legislative Package to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Kavin Marino Cabrera. It was offered by Commissioner **Raquel A. Regalado**, 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	aye
Oliver G. Gilbert, III	absent	Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye
Keon Hardemon	absent	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.

Luis M. Reyes