

## **MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 5(B)

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

**DATE:** May 6, 2025

**FROM:** Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution codesignating that  
portion of SW 17th Avenue  
between SW 22nd Street (Coral  
Way) and SW 21st Terrace as  
“Jorge Monteagudo Way”

Resolution No. R-406-25

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

  
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Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
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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5-6-25

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ R-406-25

RESOLUTION CODESIGNATING THAT PORTION OF SW  
17TH AVENUE BETWEEN SW 22ND STREET (CORAL WAY)  
AND SW 21ST TERRACE AS “JORGE MONTEAGUDO WAY”

**WHEREAS**, Jorge Monteagudo’s life story is one of resilience, hard work, and an unwavering dedication to his family and community; and

**WHEREAS**, after leaving Cuba alone at 15 years old, Monteagudo arrived in Miami and worked tirelessly to make ends meet, including by working as a delivery boy for LeeAnn Pharmacy; and

**WHEREAS**, Monteagudo’s hard work and determination earned him a promotion to Pharmacy Technician, where he learned about the value of medicine in helping people in their time of need and making them feel seen and heard; and

**WHEREAS**, Monteagudo’s work ethic and determination allowed him to eventually save enough to bring his family to Miami from Cuba; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 8th, 1973, after years of tireless effort, he fulfilled his dream of opening Jorge’s Pharmacy—a place that would become a beacon of hope and kindness for countless people in South Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, Monteagudo became well-known for his expertise and high-quality service; and

**WHEREAS**, at the same time, Monteagudo was known for his deep generosity and compassion, with many community members recounting stories of Monteagudo paying for medications out of his own pocket for patients who couldn’t afford them; and

**WHEREAS**, Monteagudo’s generosity extended to various charitable causes, including the American Cancer Society, Shriners Children’s Hospital, and St. Jude Children’s Hospital; and

**WHEREAS**, Monteagudo also partnered with La Liga Contra el Cancer to help low-income cancer patients obtain necessary medications; and

**WHEREAS**, every year, Monteagudo would donate food and toys to the residents of Little Haiti, and donate turkeys through the City of Miami’s annual Thanksgiving turkey drive, showing his unwavering commitment to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, during the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic, when there was a severe shortage of face masks, Monteagudo donated boxes of them to the University of Miami Sylvester Cancer Center as soon as he was able to secure them; and

**WHEREAS**, Monteagudo often went out of his way to check in on patients, offer words of encouragement, and ensure that everyone in his care felt truly valued; and

**WHEREAS**, for over 50 years, Jorge’s Pharmacy has been a cornerstone of the community, a place where people knew they could always count on Monteagudo; and

**WHEREAS**, Monteagudo’s life is a beautiful reminder of the power of the human spirit, the importance of giving back, and the lasting impact one person can have on the lives of many; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board would like to honor Jorge Monteagudo by codesignating that portion of SW 17th Avenue between SW 22nd Street (Coral Way) and SW 21st Terrace as “Jorge Monteagudo Way;” and

**WHEREAS**, that portion of SW 17th Avenue between SW 22nd Street (Coral Way) and SW 21st Terrace is a County-maintained road located in the City of Miami; and

**WHEREAS**, this proposed codesignation is located in County Commission District 5,

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

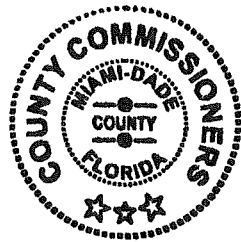
**Section 1.** Having considered this matter at a public hearing, codesignates that portion of SW 17th Avenue between SW 22nd Street and SW 21st Terrace as “Jorge Monteagudo Way”.

**Section 2.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami, 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 City of Miami Police Department, and the City of Miami Fire Rescue Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Eileen Higgins. It was offered by Commissioner **Oliver G. Gilbert, III** , 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:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman	<b>aye</b>		
Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman	<b>aye</b>		
Marleine Bastien	<b>absent</b>	Juan Carlos Bermudez	<b>aye</b>
Sen. René García	<b>aye</b>	Oliver G. Gilbert, III	<b>aye</b>
Roberto J. Gonzalez	<b>aye</b>	Keon Hardemon	<b>aye</b>
Danielle Cohen Higgins	<b>aye</b>	Eileen Higgins	<b>aye</b>
Raquel A. Regalado	<b>aye</b>	Micky Steinberg	<b>aye</b>
District 6 - Vacant			

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 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 dark ink, appearing to read "LAF", written over a horizontal line.

Laura A. Figueroa