

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 8(C)(1)

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

DATE: November 4, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the
reappointment of William Perry,
III, T. Gene Prescott, Danielle M.
Torres and City of Miami
Commissioner Christine King,
and the appointment of Robin
Libby Jacobs, to the Tourist
Development Council

Resolution No. R-1057-25

The accompanying resolution was prepared by the Cultural Affairs Department and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Keon Hardemon.



Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

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Memorandum



Date: November 4, 2025

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

From: Daniella Levine Cava *Daniella Levine Cava*
Mayor

Subject: Recommendation of Tourist Development Council Board Appointments

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This item is requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the attached resolution approving the reappointments of the following nominees to the Tourist Development Council: William Perry, III, T. Gene Prescott, and Danielle M. Torres, approve the City of Miami resolution reappointing City of Miami Commissioner Christine King for the seat requiring an elected official of the most populous municipality in the County that is subject to the tourist development tax and appointing Robin Libby Jacobs to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of a Member of the TDC. There is no fiscal impact associated with these appointments.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) adopt the attached resolution approving the reappointment of the following nominees to the Tourist Development Council: William Perry, III, T. Gene Prescott, and Danielle M. Torres, approve the City of Miami resolution reappointing City of Miami Commissioner Christine King for the seat requiring an elected official of the most populous municipality in the County that is subject to the tourist development tax and appointing Robin Libby Jacobs to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of a Member of the TDC.

SCOPE

The impact of this agenda item is countywide.

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

There is no delegated authority for this Tourist Development Council item.

FISCAL IMPACT/ FUNDING SOURCE

There is no fiscal impact associated with these appointments.

TRACK RECORD/ MONITOR

Marialaura Leslie, Director of the Department of Cultural Affairs, serves as Director of the Tourist Development Council.

BACKGROUND

On April 4, 1978, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 78-28 pursuant to State Statute No. 125.0104, establishing the Tourist Development Council (TDC). The Ordinance and Statute specify that the TDC is a nine (9) member volunteer board that includes: one (1) County Commissioner, who is appointed by the chair of the governing Board of the County; two (2) elected municipal officials, at least one of whom must be from the most populous municipality in the County; three (3) owners or operators of motels, hotels, or other tourist accommodations in the County and subject to the tourist development tax; and three (3) persons involved in the tourist industry and have verifiably demonstrated interest in the tourist development of Miami-Dade County but who are not owners or operators of motels, hotels, or other tourist accommodations in the County and are subject to the tourist development tax.

Further, all members of the TDC must be electors of the County and shall serve staggered terms of four years as determined in the appointing resolution. A public nominations process was implemented to fill these positions as a result of two (2) vacancies on the TDC Board due to the expiration of current terms and one (1) vacancy due to administrative removal of a member from the membership roster by the Commission on Ethics and Public Trust in

response to a missed filing of financial disclosure, which was instantly remedied. These positions require: one (1) person involved in the tourist industry and have verifiably demonstrated interest in the tourist development of Miami-Dade County but who are not owners or operators of motels, hotels, or other tourist accommodations in the County and are subject to the tourist development tax; two (2) persons who are owners or operators of motels, hotels, or other tourist accommodations in the County and subject to the tax.

On November 1, 2005, the Board accepted a report from the administration setting forth the Tourist Development Council Nomination Process for current and future appointments of board members to the TDC. This competitive process includes the placement of an advertisement to publicly notice a solicitation for qualified candidates and the convening of a TDC Nominating Committee to review and recommend nominees to the TDC. In response to the advertisement for nominations, and in accordance with the TDC Nomination Process, credentials of eligible candidates for the TDC were submitted and reviewed by the TDC Nominating Committee. Present at the meeting were: William Perry, III, President, Airport Parking Association; Connie Kinnard, President, Multicultural Tourism with the Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau; and Hemant Patel, General Manager, Kings Motel. For the elected municipal official appointment, the TDC was notified that the City of Miami Commission designated Commissioner Christine King by resolution adopted on January 19, 2024, to serve as a member of the TDC for the seat requiring an elected official of the most populous municipality in the County that is subject to the tourist development tax. In addition, on September 16, 2024, during the TDC FY 2024-2025 Fourth Quarter panel meeting, the TDC unanimously voted to recommend the reappointment of Danielle M. Torres, a hotelier who was administratively removed from the TDC on February 16, 2024 due to an inadvertently missed financial disclosure filing deadline for 2023, to the Board of County Commissioners for reinstatement for the remainder of her term.

Based on a thorough review of qualifications, the TDC Nominating Committee unanimously voted to recommend the following Tourist Development Council candidates to the Board of County Commissioners: William Perry, III; T. Gene Prescott; Danielle M. Torres; and Commissioner Christine King. Additionally, during the March 27, 2025 meeting of the Board, Resolution R-361-25 was approved to nominate Robin Libby Jacobs to the TDC to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of a Member of the TDC, involved in the tourist industry that has verifiably demonstrated interest in the tourist development of Miami-Dade County but who is not an owner or operator of motels, hotels, or other tourist accommodations in the County and are subject to the tourist development tax. The TDC voted unanimously to recommend the nomination of Robin Libby Jacobs at the June 13, 2025 TDC meeting.

Attached are the biographies summarizing the extensive experience of these nominees in the tourism industry and a chart specifically identifying their professional or civic affiliations and their designated terms once approved.



Cathy Burgos, LCSW
Chief Community Service Officer

William R. Perry. III

340 NE 94th Street Miami Shores, FL 33138 786-290-9810 Wrpaviation1959@yahoo.com

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

1993 - Present: **President - WRP and Associates and Aviation, Inc.**- Certified ACDBE/LDB and provider of parking, transportation management and consulting services in partnership with Standard Plus Parking dba Airport Parking Associates. Responsibilities include union negotiations, oversight of 100 plus employees, monitor the purchasing and operation of the revenue control system for a 8,500 parking space operation at the Miami International Airport that include the North and South valet operations, employee relations which includes hiring and firing, customer service training, interface/liaison with commercial operations, terminal operations, and landside operations in addition to the executive administration of the MDAD. Co-manage 50M per annum in revenue on behalf of the MIA which is the second largest non- aeronautical revenue producer of the MIA. Management portfolio has included the Miami International Airport, Bayside Marketplace, American Airlines Arena, Broward County School System, Jackson Memorial Hospital as well as many other parking operations and locations throughout South Florida. WRP operates all exclusive curbside operations on behalf of American Shuttle, Inc. dba Super Shuttle Miami Inc., at the MIA. Responsibilities include the daily operation of providing inbound and outbound shuttle and executive transportation services for the travelling public. Oversee the coordination of a multi-million dollar digital dispatch system that transports nearly 1 million customers on an annual basis. Intricately involved in negotiating and monitoring all related contracts with Super Shuttle corporate, Swissport International, Landmark Aviation, MDAD, SMS, Ultra Aviation, Mercedes Benz and many others.

1998 – Present: **Partner/Shareholder – Worldwide Concessions, Inc.** – Franchisee of Chilis, Chilis Grab and Go, Burger King, Pizza Hut, Sam Adams, Budweiser and Worldwide Café. Responsibilities included chairman of construction and development for all related brand names at the Miami International Airport. Initiated the development, financing and construction of the Chilis restaurant at the Bayside Marketplace. Served as the liaison between Bayside Chilis, LLC, the Rouse Company and General Growth Development.

1998 - 2001: **President - WRP Transportation, Inc.** – Certified provider of para-transit transportation and fixed route services for the elderly and physically impaired community of South Florida. Certified safety and defensive driving coordinator and instructor. The company was ultimately purchased by a larger provider and related consulting services are being performed to date.

1999 – 2004: **Partner – MLK Transit Station, Inc.** – Partner on the development team in the successful development of the MLK Metro rail station in Liberty City. This development was a 22M construction project that was in excess of 220K square feet and currently houses several Dade County administrative offices and departments.

2006 – 2009: **Adjunct Professor – Florida Memorial University** – lectured on Small Business Management and Entrepreneurship.

2007 – Present: **Adjunct Professor – Barry University (ACE)** – lecture in Services Marketing, Essentials of Marketing, Organizational Behavior.

1990 - 1996: **Executive Director/ CEO - Miami Sports and Exhibition Authority**- Developer, owner and operator of the Miami Arena. Co-developed with the City of Miami the James L. Knight Center and the Coconut Grove Exhibition Center. Managed the daily operation of a 100M asset. Intricately engaged in negotiating professional sports i.e. Miami Heat, Florida Panthers, Miami Manatees, and the Florida Marlins in securing the South Florida market. Left the agency with a 25M surplus.

1987 - 1990: **Chief of Staff** - City of Miami Commissioner.

EDUCATION

1981 - 1983 MBA, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD

1977 - 1981 BS, Psychology, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD

1974 – 1977 Baltimore Polytechnic Institute High School

COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

Orange Bowl Committee Senior Member • Past Chairman, Orange Bowl Youth Football Alliance • Past Chair, Community Outreach, Orange Bowl Committee • Past Vice Chair of Hospitality, Orange Bowl Committee, Past Chairman, Economic Development Committee, Miami - Dade Branch, NAACP • Vice Chairman, Association for the Development of the Exceptional • Member, Tourist Development Council • Member, International Franchise Association, Member, 1994 South Florida World Cup Committee, Co-founding Member, Overtown Midnight Basketball League, Past Member, Greater Miami Visitors and Convention Bureau.

REFERENCES: Furnished upon request

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T. GENE PRESCOTT CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND CEO SEAWAY HOTELS GROUP

Gene Prescott is the sole shareholder of Seaway Hotels Corporation. He grew up on an Idaho cattle ranch and graduated from the University of Idaho. He holds a M.S. Degree from Carnegie-Mellon University, is a Certified Public Accountant and was a management consultant in the United States and in Italy.

Professionally, Mr. Prescott has owned and operated six hotels throughout his career. The entities overseen by Mr. Prescott have a tremendous impact on the surrounding communities, both socially and economically.

He purchased the Sheraton Sand Key Resort, a 390 room beachfront property in Clearwater, Florida in 1980. The Sheraton Sand Key Resort has more than 350 full time employees with an estimated economic impact of more than \$65 million. In 1992, Mr. Prescott and his investor group bought the foreclosed Biltmore Hotel in Coral Gables, Florida, from Barnett Bank and have returned it to its original grandeur. In large part through Mr. Prescott's efforts, the Biltmore Hotel, originally built in 1926, was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1996 and has become a social, civic and political center in South Florida. The Biltmore Hotel employs over 650 full time employees and has a yearly economic impact of over \$111 million in South Florida. The Alexander All Suite Hotel on famed Miami Beach was added to his portfolio in 1994 and it was sold in 2015. Seaway also owned and operated The Staten Island Hotel in New York which he sold in 2008. His portfolio currently includes two public refrigerated warehouses in New Jersey.

Mr. Prescott is an active member in the community. He has served on many boards and organizations, and has been elected by colleagues to governing and leadership positions within those institutions. He has been responsible for administration, strategic planning, outlining priorities, setting goals and evaluating the performance of the organization's leadership. His community service is extensive, including:

- Florida International University Board of Trustees Member (2019 – 2025) External Relations Committee member & Strategic Planning Committee Member
- Florida International University Foundation – Board Member and Past Vice Chairman (2001 – Present)
- Florida International University Foundation Committees – Executive, Finance, Development, and Investment Sub-Committee (2001 – Present)
 - Florida International University School of Hospitality – Advisory Board Member (2003 – 2020)
 - Visit Florida – Board Member and Finance Committee (2010 – 2022)
 - Miami Dade County, Tourist Development Council – Board Member (2010 – Present)
- Florida Restaurant and Lodging Association – Board of Directors; Finance and Administration Committee; Government Relations Committee; Selected Hotelier of the Year Hall of Fame 2013 (2003 – 2022)
 - Orange Bowl Committee – Finance Committee; Investment Committee (2001 - Present)
 - Greater Miami Conventions and Visitors Bureau – Board Member and Chairman Emeritus (2003 - Present)
 - University of Miami – Citizens Board Member (2014 - Present)
 - Beacon Council – One Community/One Goal– Chairman Hospitality & Tourism Committee
 - Miami Children's Hospital Board of Directors - Finance Committee Chairman
 - Miami-Dade Expressway Authority - Former Director and Treasurer
 - Eastern National Bank - Former Director
 - Bank of Coral Gables - Founding Director

Mr. Prescott has over 40 years of experience in the travel industry and more specifically, has been personally involved in the development and execution of \$45 million annual tourism marketing campaigns as Chairman of the Greater Miami and Beaches Convention and Visitors Bureau, promoting South Florida as a global destination. He resides in Coral Gables, Florida, has three adult children and six grandchildren.

Danielle M Torres
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74@hotmail.com

To obtain a challenging position that I may utilize my experience in sales, food and beverage and operations to lead and direct a in a team environment to assist with achieving and exceeding budgeted revenue goals.

Experience

**June 2012-
Current** **Director of Sales & Marketing**
 Courtyard by Marriott - Miami Homestead, Homestead, Florida
100 guest rooms, 1000 sq. ft. meeting space (2013 YTD 89.3% Occ., \$147.47 ADR)

**July 2009-
Current** **Director of Sales & Marketing**
 Hampton Inn & Suites - Miami South/ Homestead, Homestead, Florida
126 guest rooms, 2500 sq. ft. meeting space (2013 YTD 95.8% Occ., \$141.39 ADR)

- Assisted General Managers to head up the opening operations for both hotels.
- Responsible for room/ catering budget creation and attainment
Exceeded budgeted revenues by \$422K
- Successfully directed the sales efforts to ramp up and open both hotels.
- Positioned the hotels with third party vendors and other similar channels.
- Attended trade shows to create awareness in the FIT markets.
- Created packages with local area attractions, dinning and shopping outlets.
- Solicited local area businesses for referrals of transient and group reservations.
- Solicited potential social and corporate clients through a range of different channels to capture meetings and social events.

2009 - Current Greater Homestead/ Florida City Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Chairman of the Green Committee and Health and Wellness

2010 – Current Greater Homestead/ Florida City Chamber of Commerce MAC - Military Affairs Committee - Secretary Exec. Board of Directors

2011-Current - Key Largo Chamber of Commerce - Member 2012 - Current Ocean Reef Chamber of Commerce - Member

2009 - Current TEVA-Tropical Everglades Visitor Association - Board of Directors 2009 - Current Kiwanis of Homestead

June 2003 - Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel & Conference Center - Miami Airport/ Hialeah Gardens June 2009
256 guest rooms, 10,000 sq. ft. meeting space

- Assisted Owners/ General Manager to rebrand and reposition the hotel through a multi-million dollar renovation.
- Responsible for room and catering budget creation and attainment.
- Created a destination for shopping clientele and promoted to the Bahamas and Western Caribbean, through international sales visits to travel agencies and trade show participation
- Contracted with many wholesale and receptive operators in the Latin America and the Caribbean to promote and successfully sell the hotel as a shopping destination. Hotelbeds #1 product west of the Miami International Airport •
- Obtained contract with Norwegian Cruise Lines for all crew lodging for port of Miami disembarking from 2005 - 2009.
- Positioned the hotel appropriately in domestic and international distribution channels to ensure maximization of rates and revenue.

2003 - 2009 GMCVB - Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau -Member 2004 - 2009 Hialeah Chamber of Commerce - Member

2006-2009 Doral Chamber of Commerce - Member 2007-2009 AMESA - Member

Additional information regarding similar industry positions may be provided upon request.

2000-2003 Homewood Suites by Hilton -Sunny Isles Beach, Miami, Florida - Director of Sales & Marketing 1998-2000 La Flora Hotel -South Miami Beach, Miami, Florida -Director of Sales & Marketing

Page 2 Resume Danielle M Torres

Education

1992-1997

University of Massachusetts - Boston

BS Biology

Skills & Abilities

Fluent in English & Spanish, Internationally Traveled and Hands on/ Team Management Style Highly skilled in Microsoft Office Applications including Word, Excel, Power Point, Outlook Certified in Sales Pro Hotel and Catering System

Proficient in Hilton & Marriott Hotel and Revenue Systems including OnQ, OnQ Insider, FOSSE & MGS Skilled in Adobe Creative Suite and graphic design to be able to create flyers and camera ready artwork

City of Miami

TODD B. HANNON
City Clerk



ARTHUR NORIEGA, V
City Manager

January 19, 2024

Ms. Marialaura Leslie, Director
Miami-Dade County Tourist Development Council
111 NW First Street, Suite 625
Miami, FL 33128

Re: Appointment of Commissioner King as a member of the Miami-Dade County Tourist Development Council

Dear Ms. Leslie:

Enclosed please find a copy of Resolution No. R-24-0037, which was adopted by the City of Miami Commission at its meeting on January 11, 2024, appointing Commissioner Christine King to serve as a member of the Miami-Dade County Tourist Development Council.

If you have any questions about this appointment, please do not hesitate Nicole Ewan, Assistant City Clerk, at (305) 250-5347.

Sincerely,

Todd B. Hannon

City Clerk TBH/ne

Enclosure

Cc: Commissioner Christine King, District 5



City of Miami

Legislation

City Hall
3500 Pan American Drive Miami, FL 33133
www.miamigov.com

Resolution: R-24-0037

File Number: 15387

Final Action Date: 1/11/2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE MIAMI CITY COMMISSION
APPOINTING COMMISSIONER CHRISTINE KING AS A
MEMBER OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TOURIST
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI,
FLORIDA:

Section 1. The City of Miami elected official, as listed above,
is hereby appointed to serve as a member of the Miami-Dade
County Tourist Development Council.¹

A RESOLUTION OF THE MIAMI CITY COMMISSION APPOINTING COMMISSIONER CHRISTINE KING AS A MEMBER OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The City of Miami elected official, as listed above, is hereby appointed to serve as a member of the Miami-Dade County Tourist Development Council.¹

ROBIN LIBBY JACOBS

County/Municipal Boards

Mayor's 41st Street Committee Vice Chair: 2018 – 2022 | Member: 2022 – Present
Miami Beach Convention Center Advisory Board COB Chair: 2023 – Present
Transportation, Parking, and Bicycle Committee Member: 2022
Miami Beach Hall of Fame Committee Chair: 2023 | Member: 2021

DESCRIBE YOUR PROFESSIONAL AND/OR VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE OR BACKGROUND THAT WOULD BEST QUALIFY YOU FOR AN APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD(S) YOU HAVE SELECTED.

As an experienced leader, having served on multiple city committees and boards and as a past chair of the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce, with a deep understanding of economic development and local business dynamics, I am seeking an appointment to the Tourist Development Council. With a proven track record in promoting community growth and engaging diverse stakeholders, I am committed to enhancing the county's tourism sector. I am enthusiastic about leveraging my skills and insights to support the committee's goals and advance the county's reputation as a vibrant, visitor-friendly community.

As a past chair of the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce board, I bring a wealth of experience in community leadership and a unique understanding of the local economy and tourism landscape. My background has equipped me with the skills needed to foster collaborations, drive community engagement, and create initiatives that support economic growth. Additionally, as a woman and only the fourth woman in one hundred years to chair the Chamber, I bring a diverse perspective to the table, recognizing the importance of inclusivity and representation in our tourism efforts.

As chair of our Chamber of Commerce board, I was entrusted by the then-mayor to co-chair the city's COVID-19 reopening task forces, guiding our business community and faith-based community through one of its most challenging times. In this role, I worked hand-in-hand with local businesses, the city, and community leaders to ensure a safe, strategic reopening within county and state guidelines.

This is just one example that demonstrates my experience and commitment—qualities that align with the responsibilities of a board appointment. My background in fostering community connections and spiritual support showcases my ability to bring people together and create a positive impact.

I currently sit on several boards, including nonprofits, academic institutions, and the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce as Chair of the Education Foundation. These are my current municipal board appointments: I serve as Chair of the Miami Beach Convention Center Advisory Committee, and as a member of the Mayor's 41st Street Committee.

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- **South Florida Luxury Magazine**
 - Woman of Style & Substance: 2015
 - **Women of Distinction and Caring – Bessie Award**
 - 2016
 - **Certificate of Appreciation**
 - Miami-Dade County Office, Mayor, and Board of County Commissioners: 2011
 - **Tribute from the Florida House of Representatives**
 - 2009
 - **Miami Beach JCC**
 - Honored as Past President: 2015

Education

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.)

Boston University School of Nursing, Boston, MA | January 1983

Master of Public Health (M.P.H.)

Boston University School of Medicine, Boston, MA | January 1986



FY 2024-2025 Miami-Dade County Tourist Development Council

MEMBERS	AFFILIATION	TITLE	Term
Chairperson			
Keon Hardemon	Miami-Dade County Commissioner	Chairman	03/23 – 11/24
Elected Municipal Officials			
*Christine King	City of Miami	Commissioner	03/25 – 03/29
Robert Stephens, III	City of Miami Gardens	Commissioner	09/21 – 09/25
Owners/Operators of Hotels or other Tourist Accommodations			
Hemant Patel	Kings Motel	General Manager	09/21 – 09/25
*Danielle Torres	Marriott Courtyard Hampton Inn – Homestead	Director of Sales	03/25 – 03/29
*T. Gene Prescott	Biltmore Coral Gables	President	03/25 – 03/29
Involved in Tourist Industry			
VACANCY			
*William Perry, III	Airport Parking Associates	Partner/Owner	03/25 – 03/29
Olga Ramudo	Express Travel of Miami, Inc.	President/CEO	09/21 – 09/25

* Pending Board of County Commissioners Approval



MEMORANDUM (Revised)

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

DATE: November 4, 2025

FROM: 
Glen Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(C)(1)

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 _____

Agenda Item No. 8(C)(1)
11-4-25

RESOLUTION NO. R-1057-25

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF
WILLIAM PERRY, III, T. GENE PRESCOTT, DANIELLE M.
TORRES AND CITY OF MIAMI COMMISSIONER CHRISTINE
KING, AND THE APPOINTMENT OF ROBIN LIBBY JACOBS,
TO THE TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

WHEREAS, on April 4, 1978, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance
No. 78-28, establishing the Tourist Development Council; and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance directs that each member shall be appointed by resolution of
the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance and section 125.0104 of the Florida Statutes specify that the
Tourist Development Council shall be composed of nine members, including a County
Commissioner, who is appointed by the chair of the governing Board of the County, two elected
municipal officials, three owners or operators of motels, hotels, or other tourist accommodations
in the county and subject to the tourist development tax and three persons involved in the tourist
industry but who are not owners or operators of motels, hotels or other tourist accommodations in
the County subject to the tourist development tax; and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance specifies that all members of the Council must be electors of
the County; and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance and section 125.0104, Florida Statutes, specify that Council
members shall serve staggered terms of four years as determined in the appointing resolution; and

WHEREAS, section 125.0104, Florida Statutes, specifies that there shall be two elected municipal officials where at least one official is from the most populous municipality in the county and the County Commission shall fill this seat by appointment; and

WHEREAS, the Tourist Development Council board recommends that William Perry, III, T. Gene Prescott, Danielle M. Torres, and City of Miami Commissioner Christine King be reappointed to the Council; and

WHEREAS, the Tourist Development Council board recommends that Robin Libby Jacobs be appointed to the Council,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the Board approves the reappointment of the following four members and the appointment of one member to the Tourist Development Council for four-year terms commencing March, 2025 and ending March, 2029:

- 1) William Perry, III, Tourism Industry;
- 2) T. Gene Prescott, Owner/Operator of Hotels or other Tourist Accommodations;
- 3) Danielle M. Torres, Owner/Operator of Hotels or other Tourist Accommodations;
- 4) City of Miami Commissioner Christine King, Elected Official from the Most Populous Municipality in the County; and
- 5) Robin Libby Jacobs, Tourism Industry.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Roberto J. Gonzalez** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Natalie Milian Orbis** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

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

SMG

Sophia Guzzo