

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(5)

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

DATE: July 16, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging the Florida
Legislature to codesignate that
portion of State Road 959/SW
57th Avenue from SW 8th Street
to SW 24th Street as "Wayne
Russell and Jimmy Fabbriatore
Way"; and approving such
codesignation

Resolution No. R-778-25

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor
Commissioner Natalie Milian Orbis.



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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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7-16-25

RESOLUTION NO. R-778-25

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO
CODESIGNATE THAT PORTION OF STATE ROAD 959/SW
57TH AVENUE FROM SW 8TH STREET TO SW 24TH STREET
AS “WAYNE RUSSELL AND JIMMY FABBRICATORE
WAY”; AND APPROVING SUCH CODESIGNATION

WHEREAS, Duffy’s Tavern, located at 2108 SW 57th Avenue, has been a beloved establishment and gathering place in Miami since it opened in 1955; and

WHEREAS, Duffy’s Tavern is a Miami landmark—the place to go to cheer on the home teams, from the University of Miami Hurricanes to the Miami Dolphins, Miami Heat, Miami Marlins and Inter Miami; and

WHEREAS, Wayne Russell and James “Jimmy” Fabbriatore have been the owners/operators of Duffy’s Tavern for over 40 years—nearly half a decade—and have helped cement Duffy’s as a household name in the South Florida community; and

WHEREAS, this Board would like to recognize the cross-generational contributions of Mr. Russell and Mr. Fabbriatore to the community by urging the Florida Legislature to codesignate that portion of State Road 959/SW 57th Avenue from SW 8th Street to SW 24th Street as “Wayne Russell and Jimmy Fabbriatore Way”; and

WHEREAS, because State Road 959/SW 57th Avenue is a state road, the Florida Legislature would be required to codesignate this road; and

WHEREAS, section 334.071, Florida Statutes, provides that the erection of markers for a state road designation shall be contingent upon the appropriate city or county commission passing a resolution in support of the particular honorary designation; and

WHEREAS, that portion of State Road 959/SW 57th Avenue from SW 8th Street to SW 16th Street forms the dividing line between the City of West Miami and the City of Coral Gables; and

WHEREAS, that portion of State Road 959/SW 57th Avenue from SW 16th Street to SW 24th Street forms the dividing line between the City of Coral Gables and unincorporated Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, this codesignation is located in County Commission District 6,

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 codesignate that portion of State Road 959/SW 57th Avenue from SW 8th Street to SW 24th Street as “Wayne Russell and Jimmy Fabbriatore Way”.

Section 2. Urges the City of West Miami and the City of Coral Gables to join in this codesignation.

Section 3. Approves the state road codesignation of that portion of State Road 959/SW 57th Avenue from SW 8th Street to SW 24th Street as “Wayne Russell and Jimmy Fabbriatore Way”.

Section 4. Directs the Clerk of the Board to send certified copies of this Resolution to the Governor, the Senate President, the House Speaker, the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation, the Mayor and City Commission of the City of West Miami, the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, the Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation, 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 Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office, the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department, the West Miami Police Department, the Coral Gables Police Department, and the Coral Gables Fire Department.

Section 5. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the legislative action set forth in section 1 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to include this item in the 2026 state legislative package when it is presented to the Board.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Natalie Milian Orbis. It was offered by Commissioner **Marleine Bastien**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Danielle Cohen Higgins** 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
Sen. René García	aye	Oliver G. Gilbert, III	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye	Keon Hardemon	absent
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 16th day of July, 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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Michael J. Mastrucci
Brianna E. Donet