

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 3(A)(16)

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

DATE: September 3, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the City of
Miami's codesignation of that
portion of Charles Terrace
between Jefferson Street and
Southwest 37th Avenue as
"Gerald Tinker Way"

Resolution No. R-819-25

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



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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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9-3-25

RESOLUTION NO. R-819-25

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF MIAMI'S
CODESIGNATION OF THAT PORTION OF CHARLES
TERRACE BETWEEN JEFFERSON STREET AND
SOUTHWEST 37TH AVENUE AS "GERALD TINKER WAY"

WHEREAS, Gerald Alexander Tinker ("Tinker") was born on January 19, 1951 in Miami, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Tinker is a distinguished former athlete, having won a gold medal in the 4 x 100 meters relay at the 1972 Summer Olympics; and

WHEREAS, Tinker went on to be drafted by the Atlanta Falcons in the second round of 1974 NFL Draft and play for the Green Bay Packers; and

WHEREAS, prior to his success in Olympic and professional athletics, Tinker attended Coral Gables Senior High School in Coral Gables, where he excelled in both football and track and took part in a historic all-black backfield that led the team to be rated team of the century by the Florida High School Athletic Association; and

WHEREAS, Tinker was a standout athlete at Kent State University, where he won the 1973 NCAA Division I Indoor Track and Field Championship in the sixty-yard dash and set multiple records in the Mid-American Conference; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Tinker's significant contributions to sports and his lasting impact on the community, the City Commission of the City of Miami passed Resolution No. R-25-0221 on June 17, 2025, which codesignated Charles Terrace between Jefferson Street and Southwest 37th Avenue as "Gerald Tinker Way"; and

WHEREAS, a copy of Resolution No. R-25-0221 is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami would like for the County to install signage indicating this codesignation on County street signs and traffic signal mast arms; and

WHEREAS, this Board would also like to honor Tinker by approving the City of Miami's codesignation of Charles Terrace between Jefferson Street and Southwest 37th Avenue as "Gerald Tinker Way"; and

WHEREAS, Charles Terrace between Jefferson Street and Southwest 37th Avenue is a city road located in the City of Miami; and

WHEREAS, this codesignation is in County Commission District 7,

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

Section 1. Approves the City of Miami's codesignation of that portion of Charles Terrace between Jefferson Street and Southwest 37th Avenue as "Gerald Tinker Way".

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to send certified copies 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 Raquel A. Regalado. It was offered by Commissioner **Danielle Cohen Higgins**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Kionne L. McGhee** 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	absent
Sen. René García	absent	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 3rd day of September, 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 YEM

Yuval E. Manor



City of Miami

Resolution R-25-0221

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Legislation

File Number: 17605

Final Action Date: 6/17/2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE MIAMI CITY COMMISSION, BY A FOUR-FIFTHS AFFIRMATIVE (4/5THS) VOTE, PURSUANT TO SECTION 54-137 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MIAMI, FLORIDA, AS AMENDED ("CITY CODE"), WAIVING THE RESTRICTIONS RELATED TO THE CODESIGNATION OF NAMED STREETS CONTAINED THEREIN AND CODESIGNATING "CHARLES TERRACE" BETWEEN JEFFERSON STREET AND SOUTHWEST 37TH AVENUE AS "GERALD TINKER WAY" TO HONOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF GERALD ALEXANDER TINKER; FURTHER DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSMIT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE HEREIN DESIGNATED OFFICIALS; PROVIDING FOR AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

SPONSOR(S): Commissioner Damian Pardo

WHEREAS, Gerald Alexander Tinker ("Tinker"), born January 19, 1951, in Miami, Florida, is a distinguished former track athlete and football player; and

WHEREAS, Tinker won a gold medal in the 4 x 100 meters relay at the 1972 Summer Olympics, contributing to the United States' world record-equalling performance; and

WHEREAS, Tinker attended Coral Gables Senior High School in Coral Gables, Florida, where he excelled in both football and track, and was part of a historic all-black backfield that led the team to be rated the team of the century by the Florida High School Athletic Association; and

WHEREAS, Tinker was a standout athlete at Kent State University, where he won the 1973 NCAA Division I Indoor Track and Field Championship in the 60-yard dash and set multiple records in the Mid-American Conference; and

WHEREAS, after his Olympic success, Tinker was drafted by the Atlanta Falcons in the second round of the 1974 NFL Draft and also played for the Green Bay Packers, showcasing his versatility and talent in professional football; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 14317, adopted on September 26, 2024, provides that the restrictions related to street codesignations, including the restriction on renaming named streets, contained in Section 54-137 of the Code of the City of Miami, Florida ("City Code"), may be waived by a four-fifths (4/5ths) affirmative vote of the City Commissioners, or an unanimous vote of the quorum that exists because of either abstentions or vacancies resulting from resignation, death, suspension, or physical incapacitation; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds it is in the best interest of the residents of the City of Miami, Florida, to waive the restrictions contained in Section 54-137 of the City Code and to rename that portion of "Charles Terrace" between Jefferson Street and Southwest 37th

Avenue as "Gerald Tinker Way" to honor Gerald Tinker's significant contributions to sports and his lasting impact on the community;

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

Section 1. The recitals and findings contained in the Preamble to this Resolution are adopted and incorporated as if fully set forth in this Section.

Section 2. The Miami City Commission hereby codesignates "Charles Terrace" between Jefferson Street and Southwest 37th Avenue as "Gerald Tinker Way" to honor the contributions and accomplishments of Gerald Alexander Tinker.

Section 3 The City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Departments of Police, Fire-Rescue, and Solid Waste; the Miami-Dade County Department of Transportation and Public Works; the United States Postal Service; and, if a State of Florida road, to the Florida Department of Transportation, District 7, for sign installation within the newly named roadway.

Section 4. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS:

 
George K. Wyssong III, City Attorney 5/13/2025 George K. Wyssong III, City Attorney 7/17/2025

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