

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 3(A)(2)

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

DATE: October 9, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the
City of Miami's
codesignation of that portion
of Northwest 28th Avenue
between Northwest 15th
Street and Northwest 17th
Street as "Marianela Amador
Way"

Resolution No. R-901-25

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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10-9-25

RESOLUTION NO. R-901-25

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF MIAMI'S
CODESIGNATION OF THAT PORTION OF NORTHWEST
28TH AVENUE BETWEEN NORTHWEST 15TH STREET AND
NORTHWEST 17TH STREET AS "MARIANELA AMADOR
WAY"

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2025, the City of Miami (the "City") adopted Resolution No. R-25-0254, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, codesignating that portion of Northwest 28th Avenue between Northwest 15th Street and Northwest 17th Street as "Marianela Amador Way"; and

WHEREAS, as a child, Marianela Amador left Cuba with her family to seek a better life in Miami, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Marianela Amador attended Miami-Dade County schools and graduated from Miami-Dade Community College and Florida International University with a degree in social work administration; and

WHEREAS, Marianela Amador has worked for the Department of Children and Families since 1982 and currently serves as Program Administrator; and

WHEREAS, as Program Administrator, Marianela Amador has advocated with compassion and empathy for refugees, former Cuban political prisoners, domestic violence survivors, the homeless, and those with addiction and mental illness, thereby making a difference in countless lives; and

WHEREAS, Marianela Amador has earned the respect and recognition of her peers, government leaders, and the community at large for her accomplishments and selfless service to those in need; and

WHEREAS, in addition to these pursuits, Marianela Amador has hosted a radio program for over 30 years that provides crucial information to the Hispanic community; and

WHEREAS, this Board would also like to honor Marianela Amador by approving the City's codesignation of that portion of Northwest 28th Avenue between Northwest 15th Street and Northwest 17th Street as "Marianela Amador Way"; and

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

WHEREAS, that portion of Northwest 28th Avenue between Northwest 15th Street and Northwest 17th Street is a city-maintained road located in the City of Miami; 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. Approves the City of Miami's codesignation of that portion of Northwest 28th Avenue between Northwest 15th Street and Northwest 17th Street as "Marianela Amador 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 Department of Fire-Rescue.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Natalie Milian Orbis. 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
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 9th day of October, 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.

Laura A. Figueroa



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File Number: 17830

Enactment Number: R-25-0254

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 STREET RENAMING CONTAINED THEREIN, CODESIGNATING NORTHWEST 28 AVENUE BETWEEN NORTHWEST 17 STREET AND NORTHWEST 15 STREET AS "MARIANELA AMADOR WAY" IN HONOR OF MARIANELA AMADOR'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CITY OF MIAMI; FURTHER DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE HEREIN DESIGNATED OFFICIALS.

SPONSOR(S): Commissioner Miguel Angel Gabela

WHEREAS, Marianela Amador was born in Cuba and, like many others, left Cuba as a child with her parents to seek a better life in Miami, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Marianela Amador attended school in Miami-Dade County from elementary through Miami-Dade Community College and Florida International University, receiving a bachelor's degree in social work administration; and

WHEREAS, in 1982, Marianela Amador started her career with the State of Florida in what is now known as the Department of Children and Families and continues to this day as Program Administrator; and

WHEREAS, as Program Administrator she has made a difference in countless lives advocating for the refugee population, former Cuban political prisoners, domestic violence victims, those with addiction/mental illness, and the homeless and always doing so with compassion and empathy; and

WHEREAS, Marianela Amador has garnered the recognition of her peers, government leaders, and the community at large for her accomplishments and the selfless services she has rendered to those in need; and

WHEREAS, Marianela Amador has also hosted a radio program which provides crucial information to the Hispanic community for more than 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 14317, adopted on September 26, 2024, provides that the restrictions related to street co-designations, 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 by an unanimous vote of the quorum that exists because of either abstentions or vacancies resulting from resignation, death, suspension, or physical incapacitation;

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

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

Section 2. By a four-fifths (4/5ths) affirmative vote, the Miami City Commission hereby codesignates Northwest 28th Avenue between Northwest 17th Street and Northwest 15th Street as "Marianela Amador Way" in honor of her dedicated service and lasting impact on the community.

Section 3. The City Clerk is directed to transmit a certified 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 Miami-Dade County Commissioner of District 6; the United States Postal Service; and, if a State of Florida road, to the Florida Department of Transportation, District Six, for sign installation within the newly designated roadway.

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

DATE:	7/10/2025
RESULT:	ADOPTED
MOVER:	Miguel Angel Gabela, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Joe Carollo, Commissioner
AYES:	Christine King, Joe Carollo, Miguel Angel Gabela, Damian Pardo, Ralph "Rafael" Rosado

I, Todd B. Hannon, City Clerk of the City of Miami, Florida, and keeper of the records thereof, do hereby certify that this constitutes a true and correct copy of Resolution No. R-25-0254, passed by the City Commission on 7/10/2025.



City Clerk, Deputy City Clerk
(for Todd B. Hannon, City Clerk)

July 21, 2025

Date Certified