

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(16)

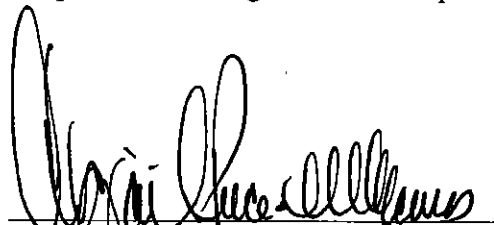
TO: Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: June 6, 2017

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution supporting the establishment of a Sister Cities affiliation between Miami-Dade County and County Cork, Ireland; and authorizing the County Mayor to execute an affiliation agreement between Miami-Dade County and County Cork, Ireland

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz.



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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 _____, 3/5's _____, unanimous _____) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor

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Veto _____

6-6-17

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SISTER CITIES AFFILIATION BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND COUNTY CORK, IRELAND; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AFFILIATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND COUNTY CORK, IRELAND

WHEREAS, representatives of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and representatives of County Cork, Ireland, have expressed a desire to establish an affiliation between the two communities (“Sister Cities”); and

WHEREAS, a Sister Cities relationship is a long-term cooperative relationship between two cities in different countries through which cultural, educational, business, and technical exchanges take place; and

WHEREAS, Sister Cities International, an international nonprofit organization, recommends formalizing a Sister Cities relationship through execution of a memorandum of understanding between the two communities; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Sister Cities Program was founded in 1981 and has established Sister Cities relationships with 26 cities in South America, Central America, the Caribbean, Europe, Africa, and Asia; and

WHEREAS, trade and tourism are a significant portion of the economy of both communities; and

WHEREAS, the affiliation of both communities meets the guidelines established by Miami-Dade County and Sister Cities International; and

WHEREAS, both Miami-Dade County and County Cork, Ireland, wish to cooperate in order to further expand trade, tourism, cultural and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, government officials in County Cork wish to explore the possibility of opening trade offices in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, both communities are gateways to other regions; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Sister Cities Committee has recommended this affiliation,

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

Section 1. This Board, on behalf of the residents of Miami-Dade County, Florida, supports the establishment of a Sister Cities affiliation with County Cork, Ireland.

Section 2. Authorizes the County Mayor to execute a Sister Cities affiliation agreement between Miami-Dade County and County Cork, Ireland, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Section 3. Upon the execution of an affiliation agreement by the County Mayor and County Cork, Ireland, the Miami-Dade County Sister Cities Committee shall coordinate projects to increase and promote trade, culture, tourism, and educational opportunities between these two communities.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz. It was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Chairman	
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Sally A. Heyman
Barbara J. Jordan	Joe A. Martinez
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Rebeca Sosa	Sen. Javier D. Souto
Xavier L. Suarez	

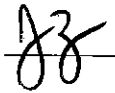
The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of June, 2017. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by 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

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Javier Zapata

**SISTER CITIES AGREEMENT BETWEEN
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
AND
COUNTY CORK, IRELAND**

WHEREAS, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA ON JUNE XX, 2017, PASSED A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING A DESIRE TO ESTABLISH A SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND COUNTY CORK, IRELAND; AND

WHEREAS, THE MAYOR OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FLORIDA, AND THE MAYOR OF COUNTY CORK ALSO DESIRE TO ENTER INTO A SISTER CITIES AFFILIATION; AND

WHEREAS, PORTMIAMI AND THE PORT OF CORK HAVE SIGNED A SISTER PORT AGREEMENT, AND HAVE COMMITTED TO DEVELOP STRATEGIES TO INCREASE CRUISE AND CARGO TRADE AT BOTH PORTS; AND

WHEREAS, BOTH COMMUNITIES BASE THEIR ECONOMY ON TRADE AND TOURISM, AND MEET THE GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO ENTER INTO A SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND COUNTY CORK, IRELAND, HEREBY MUTUALLY AGREE TO:

- A) ESTABLISH A SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND COUNTY CORK, IRELAND
- B) UNDERTAKE PROGRAMS OF MUTUAL CULTURAL EXCHANGE
- C) IMPROVE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE PORTMIAMI AND THE PORT OF CORK
- D) UNDERATAKE CULTURAL AND TRADE MISSIONS TO EACH COMMUNITY

IN WITNESS THEREOF WE HAVE AFFIXED OUR SIGNATURES TO THIS SISTER CITIES AGREEMENT ON THIS DATE OF _____ A.D.

CARLOS A. GIMENEZ
MAYOR
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

SEAMUS MCGRATH
MAYOR
COUNTY CORK, IRLEAND