

**SISTER CITIES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS**

WHEREAS, REPRESENTATIVES OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS HAVE MET AND EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO ESTABLISH A SISTER CITY AFFILIATION BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS AND THEIR PEOPLE; AND,

WHEREAS, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA IS HOME TO MANY CITIZENS OF THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS WHO CONTINUE TO MAKE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THAT COMMUNITY; AND,

WHEREAS, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS ARE DESIROUS OF INSTITUTIONALIZING THEIR EXISTING FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIP; AND,

WHEREAS, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS HAVE FORMALLY EXPRESSED A DESIRE TO ESTABLISH A SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THEIR RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES; AND,

WHEREAS, THE HONORABLE DR BARBARA CAREY-SHULER, CHAIR OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HAS WORKED DILIGENTLY TO DEVELOP AND STRENGTHEN THE TIES THAT UNITE OUR PEOPLE; AND,

WHEREAS, THE HONORABLE MICHAEL EUGENE MISICK, CHIEF MINISTER OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS HAS WORKED TO IDENTIFY THE RELATIONSHIP TO DEEPEN TIES BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE MAYOR OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE CHIEF MINISTER OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS HEREBY MUTUALLY AGREE TO:

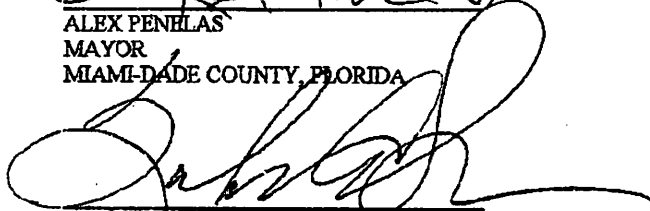
A) FORMALLY ESTABLISH A SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS, TO PROMOTE CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS, DEVELOP TOURISM, IMPROVE TRADE RELATIOSS, AND FOSTER BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF OUR PEOPLE AND THEIR CULTURE.

B) PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR LOCAL ECONOMIES THROUGH JOINT PROGRAMS TO BENEFIT OUR RESPECTIVE RESIDENTS.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF WE HAVE AFFIXED OUR SIGNATURES TO THIS SISTER CITIES AGREEMENT ON THIS DATE OF 10/19/2003


ALEX PENELAS
MAYOR
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA


MICHAEL EUGENE MISICK
CHIEF MINISTER
TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS


DR. BARBARA CARREY-SHULER
CHAIRPERSON
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 9(A)(2)

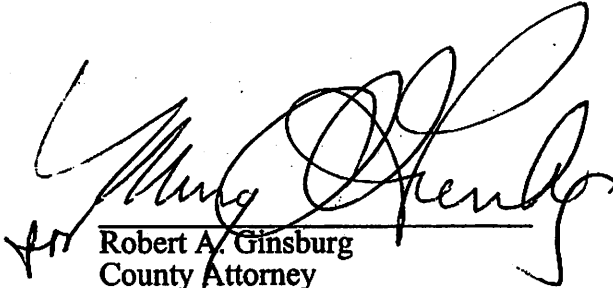
TO: Hon. Chairperson and Members
Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 22, 2001

FROM: Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution establishing a
Sister City with the City of
Grand Turk

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Dr. Barbara M. Carey-Shuler, Commissioner District 3.


Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

RAG/bw

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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5-22-01

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CLERK OF THE BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

RESOLUTION NO. R-583-01

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SISTER CITY PROGRAM
BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF
GRAND TURK, CAPITOL OF THE TURKS AND CAICOS**

WHEREAS, representatives of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and the City of Grand Turk, capitol of the Turks and Caicos, have met and have expressed a desire to establish a Sister City affiliation between the two governments and their citizens; and

WHEREAS, both are similar in tourism industry, as well as international seaport and trade and therefore meet the guidelines established in Resolution No. R-416-95; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to establish a sister city program between Miami-Dade County and the City of Grand Turk, in order to foster enhanced relationships with the City of Grand Turk,

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

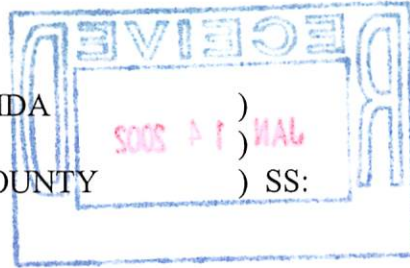
Section 1. This Board on behalf of the citizens of Miami-Dade County, Florida, hereby establishes a Sister City affiliation with the government and citizens of the City of Grand Turk.

Section 2. A committee of private citizens shall be appointed and governed by the Miami Dade Sister Cities Program to carry out the objectives of fostering enhanced economic and social relations between the two governments and their people.

Section 3. The Miami-Dade Sister Cities Program shall assist in coordinating projects to increase and promote trade and tourism between the two communities benefiting Miami International Airport and the Port of Miami.

STATE OF FLORIDA

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY



I, HARVEY RUVIN, Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of said County, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above foregoing is a true and correct of Resolution R-583-01 the meeting held on May 22, 2001 as appears of record.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on this 14th day of January, A.D. 2002.

HARVEY RUVIN, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Miami-Dade County, Florida



By *Steven Adams*
Deputy Clerk

SEAL

