## SISTER CITIES AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE CITY OF PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

WHEREAS, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA ON NOVEMBER 20, 2008, PASSED A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING A DESIRE TO ESTABLISH A SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC; AND

WHEREAS, THE PRAGUE CITY ASSEMBLY ON JULY 13, 2010 PASSED A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING A SISTER SITIES AFFILIATION BETWEEN THE CITY OF PRAGUE AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; AND

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

WHEREAS,
BOTH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC WANT TO COOPERATE IN ORDER TO FURTHER EXPAND TRADE, TOURISM, CULTURAL, ECONOMIC AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES; 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 THE MAYOR OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC, HEREBY MUTUALLY AGREE TO:

- A) ESTABLISH A SISTER CITIES RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE CITY OF PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC
- B) UNDERTAKE PROGRAMS THAT EXPAND ECONOMIC AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
- C) ENGAGE IN AN EXCHANGE PROGRAM OF BEST PRACTICES BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS
- D) UNDERTAKE TRADE AND CULTURAL MISSIONS TO EACH COMMUNITY

IN WITNESS THEREOF WE HAVE AFFIXED OUR SIGNATURES TO THIS SISTER CITIES AGREEMENT ON THIS DATE OF AUGUST 18, 2010 A.D.

CARLOS ALVAREZ

**MAYOR** 

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

NATACHA SEIJAS COMMISSIONER

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

PAVEL BEM

MAYOR

CITY OF PRAGUE CZECH REPUBLIC

TOMAS CHALUPA

CHAIR

FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

PRAGUE CITY ASSEMBLY

## **MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(3)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

November 20, 2008

**FROM:** R. A. Cuevas, Jr.

County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** 

Resolution recommending a

Sister City affiliation with City of Prague, Czech

Republic

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Natacha Seijas.

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Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro

DATE:

November 20, 2008

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

TO:

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.

County Attorney

Please note any items checked.

No committee review

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 11(A)(3)

	"4-Day Rule" ("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
	Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
	Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
	Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)

Approved	 <u>Mayor</u>	Agenda Item No.	11(A)(3)
Veto		11-20-08	
Override			
	RESOLUTION NO.		

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING A SISTER CITIES AFFILIATION BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

WHEREAS, representatives of the Jay Malina International Trade Consortium (ITC) of Miami-Dade County, Florida and representatives of the City of Prague, Czech Republic have expressed a desire to establish a Sister City affiliation between the two governments and their people; and

WHEREAS, both communities base their economy on trade and tourism, and meet the guidelines established by Miami-Dade County, and Sister Cities International; and

**WHEREAS,** both Miami-Dade County and Prague, Czech Republic want to cooperate in order to further expand trade, tourism, cultural and educational opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, government officials in the Czech Republic 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 Coordinating Council has recommended this affiliation after a thorough evaluation on August 21, 2008,

## 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 recommends the establishment of a Sister City affiliation with the government and the people of Prague.

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Section 2. A private citizen shall, upon the execution of an agreement between the Mayor of Miami-Dade County and the Mayor of the City of Prague, be appointed by the Mayor to assist the Sister Cities Coordinating Council in coordinating projects to increase and promote trade, culture, tourism, and educational opportunities between these two communities.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Natacha Seijas. 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:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Audrey M. Edmonson

Carlos A. Gimenez

Sally A. Heyman

Joe A. Martinez

Dennis C. Moss

Dorrin D. Rolle

Natacha Seijas

Katy Sorenson

Rebeca Sosa

Sen. Javier D. Souto

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 20th day of November, 2008. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this 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.

Eric A. Rodriguez