

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-7

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC. URGING THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TO ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT WOULD REQUIRE FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT AND ANY OTHER PUBLIC UTILITIES TO ADOPT A REASONABLE NET METERING PROGRAM THAT WOULD MAKE THE IMPLEMENTATION AND INSTALLATION OF SOLAR ENERGY MORE ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE FOR FLORIDA MUNICIPALITIES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. finds that it would be beneficial for the environment and for the protection of public resources if policies and programs were created by the Florida Public Service Commission to make it more economically feasible for Florida municipalities to implement and install solar energy for municipal buildings; and

WHEREAS, the current net metering program owner receives retail credit for at least a portion of the electricity they generate adopted by Florida Power Light and other public utilities does not make it economically feasible to install a solar energy system for municipal facilities; and

WHEREAS, in order to protect the environment and deploy green technology, the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. requests that Florida Public Service Commission review the net metering program of rate and revise its structure so that solar energy becomes an economically feasible alternative for use for municipal facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc.

Section 1. That each of the above stated recitals are hereby confirmed and adopted

Section 2. The Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. hereby urges the Florida Public Service Commission to adopt policies programs and incentives that would require Florida Power and Light and any other public utilities to adopt a reasonable net metering program that would make the implementation and installation of solar energy more economically feasible for Florida municipalities.

Section 3. The League's Executive Director is authorized to take any action which is necessary in order to implement the purposes of this Resolution.

Section 4. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption hereof.

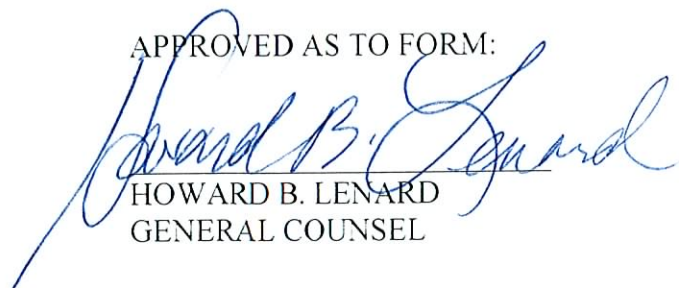
APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. at regular meeting assembled this 5TH day of November, 2009.

ATTEST:


HORACE FELIU
Secretary


SHIRLEY GIBSON
PRESIDENT

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


HOWARD B. LENARD
GENERAL COUNSEL

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-8

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC. URGING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO MAINTAIN CURRENT TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR READING TEACHERS OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, section 1003.56 (1), Florida Statutes, entitled “English language instruction for limited English proficient students, requires instruction” designed to develop the student’s mastery of the four language skills, including listening, speaking, reading, and writing, as rapidly as possible; and

WHEREAS, proposed State Board of Education rule 6A-6.0907 (4) would waive the requisite ESOL in-service training requirements for Reading endorsed or certified teachers who seek to earn ESOL certification coverage solely through examination; and

WHEREAS, in 2007 Governor Crist vetoed SB 2512, a bill to weaken the training requirements for reading teachers of ELL students and the bill, re-introduced in the next session as SB 286, died in 2008; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, CS/SB1680 was introduced during the final weeks of the legislative session as the third failed attempt to bring about a reduction in ESOL training requirements for reading teachers; and

WHEREAS, it is the view of this Board that maintaining the existing training requirements for reading teachers of ELL students is in the best interests of the citizens and residents of Miami-Dade County.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc.

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct;


Section 2. The Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. urges the Florida Department of Education to maintain current training requirements for reading teachers of English Language Learners.

Section 3. The Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. urges the members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation to vote against bills that reduce training requirements for teachers of ESOL students and requests that the governor veto any such bill should they be approved by the legislature.

Section 4. The Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. urges Governor Crist to request that the State Board of Education rescind its approval of proposed rule 6A-6.0907 (4) and honor the spirit and language of his veto letter on SB 2512 in all future actions.

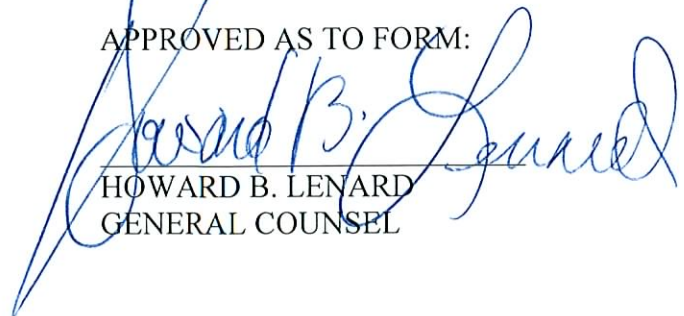
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