

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC. URGING ALL MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION BANNING TEXTING WHILE DRIVING AND ALLOWING THE USE OF ONLY HANDS-FREE CELLULAR TELEPHONES BY DRIVERS.

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. believes that the adoption of legislation banning texting by drivers of motor vehicles and allowing drivers to use only hands-free cellular telephone devices while driving would be in the best interests of the residents and businesses of Miami-Dade County and the State of Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. That the foregoing recitals are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.


Section 2. The Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. hereby urges all members of the Florida's Legislature to support adoption of legislation banning texting by drivers and requiring the use of only hands-free or non-handled cellular telephone devices while driving a motor vehicle.

Section 3. The League's Executive Director is authorized to forward a copy to the Florida League of Cities, the Miami-Dade Legislative Delegation and the Governor of the State of Florida.

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 8th day of April, 2010.

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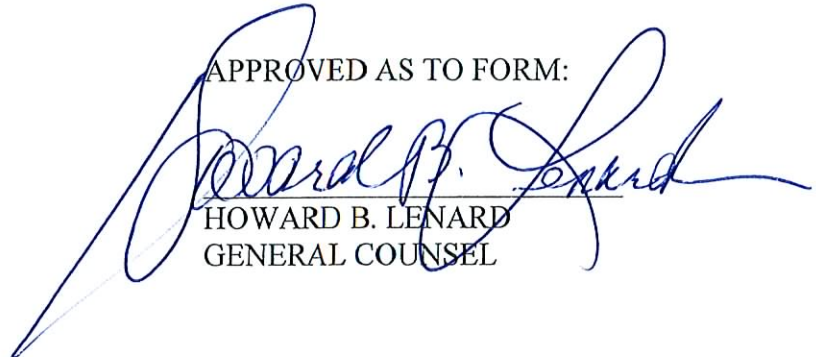


JOSEPH KELLEY
Secretary



MICHAEL BLYNN
PRESIDENT

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



HOWARD B. LENARD
GENERAL COUNSEL

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC. OPPOSING THE PASSAGE AND THE PROVISIONS OF INITIATIVE “AMENDMENT NO. 4”; URGING CITIZENS TO VOTE AGAINST INITIATIVE “AMENDMENT NO. 4” ON THE ELECTION BALLOT; DECLARING SUPPORT OF CURRENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING “SMART GROWTH” IN FLORIDA.

WHEREAS, the State of Florida has experienced tremendous growth; and,

WHEREAS, the challenges presented by growth require that local governments embrace smart growth policies aimed at protecting our state’s quality of life, engendering greater economic prosperity, and equitably planning for the common good; and,

WHEREAS, smart growth requires careful planning and direction combined with a clear and effective means of engaging the people’s voice; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. believes that the planning process must empower citizens and encourage sound public policy; and,

WHEREAS, the Florida Hometown Democracy initiative has placed a constitutional amendment before Florida’s voters to amend Article II, Section 7, of the Florida Constitution (Title: REFERENDA REQUIRED FOR ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLANS); and,

WHEREAS, this amendment constitutes a fundamental abandonment of government’s responsibility to represent all its citizens; and,

WHEREAS, this amendment impedes progress on smarter growth policies aimed at improving citizen input, enhancing public participation, and engaging every community; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. has determined that the passage of this amendment will delay and hinder the proper planning functions of local governments, require the expenditure of substantial local government funds for elections required by the amendment to institute comprehensive plan revisions and constitute a “chilling effect” on the rights of citizens and local governments.

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. That the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. hereby expresses its opposition to the passage and the provisions of initiative “Amendment No. 4”.

Section 2. That the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. hereby urges citizens to vote against initiative “Amendment No. 4” which will be placed on the 2010 election ballot.

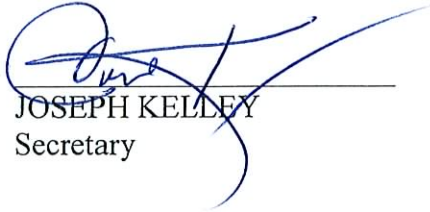
Section 3. That the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. hereby declares that current policies and procedures are sufficient to ensure smart growth in Florida in the future.

Section 4. The League’s Executive Director is authorized to forward a copy to the Florida League of Cities, the Miami-Dade Legislative Delegation and the Governor of the State of Florida.

Section 5. 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 8th day of April, 2010.

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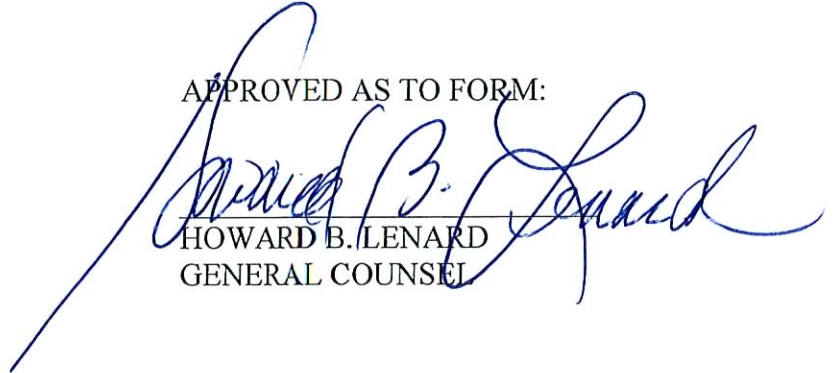


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RESOLUTION NO. 2010-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC. OPPOSING HB 1235 WHICH PRE-EMPTS CITY'S FROM "RED LIGHT / CAMERA" UTILIZATION AND ENDORSING HB 325 WHICH AUTHORIZES THE UTILIZATION OF "RED LIGHT CAMERAS" BY MUNICIPALITIES.

WHEREAS, municipalities have through their local code enforcement powers authorized the use of "red light camera" traffic enforcement; and,

WHEREAS, the effect has enhanced traffic safety and law enforcement in those municipalities; and,

WHEREAS, HB 1235 would pre-empt and restrict local areas from providing additional protection to its residents and other motorists; and,

WHEREAS, HB 325 would authorize the continued use of traffic enforcement mechanisms and programs;

NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. That the foregoing is true and correct.

Section 2. That the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. opposes HB 1235 which restricts use of camera traffic enforcement.

Section 3. That this League and all member cities support HB 325 which would authorize use and continued use of traffic camera enforcement.

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 8th day of April, 2010.

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