

## RESOLUTION NO. 2014-1

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC. URGING AND ENCOURAGING GOVERNOR RICK SCOTT AND THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO REVISIT THE CRITERIA FOR FUNDING STATE WATER PROJECTS SO AS TO INCLUDE THE TYPES OF DRAINAGE AND CANAL PROJECTS THAT ARE SO GREATLY NEEDED THROUGHOUT MIAMI-DADE COUNTY.**

**WHEREAS**, a memorandum relating to statewide water project funding requests from Senator Alan Hayes, Chairperson of the Florida Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government was transmitted on January 14, 2014 to all the members of the Florida Senate; and

**WHEREAS**, Senator Hayes' memorandum to the Florida Senate consisted of a list of priority areas to be considered when identifying water projects for funding as part of the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 General Appropriations Act; and

**WHEREAS**, while the Governor's Office identified six statewide goals as priorities for funding water projects, drainage and canal projects were not identified as a priority goal in order to qualify for state funding; and

**WHEREAS**, while the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade League of Cities recognize that there are a number of unfunded needs for drainage and canal projects throughout Miami-Dade County, unfortunately, those projects do not meet the statewide goals and criteria as outlined in Senator Hayes' memorandum; and

**WHEREAS**, besides the need for Public Works drainage and canal projects throughout Miami-Dade County, additionally, there is a substantial need for Water and Sewer infrastructure repairs and upgrades located within all the municipalities throughout the County; and

**WHEREAS**, even though Miami-Dade County is the most populous county in the State of Florida consisting of thirty-four municipalities, the statewide goals and criteria identified within Senator Hayes' memorandum, have very limited application within the municipalities throughout Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to improve the quality of life for residents and tourists the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. acknowledge the great need for drainage and canal projects located within all the municipalities throughout Miami-Dade

County urge the Governor and the Florida Legislature to revisit the criteria for funding state water projects so that drainage and canal projects are added within the statewide goals and criteria of water projects eligible for state funding.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY:** The Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc.

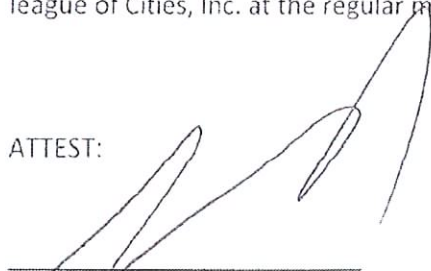
**SECTION 1.** The Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. hereby urge and encourage Governor Scott and the Florida Legislature to revisit the criteria for funding water projects so as to include drainage and canal projects that are so greatly needed in Miami-Dade County.

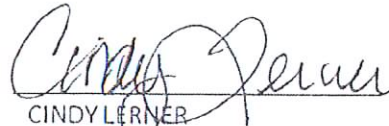
**SECTION 2.** A copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Governor Rick Scott, the Florida Legislature as well as to the Mayor and Commissioners of Miami-Dade County.

**SECTION 3.** The Miami-Dade League of Cities encourages all municipalities to support and enact similar resolutions in each of their cities.

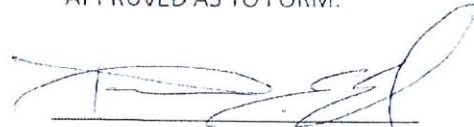
**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County league of Cities, Inc. at the regular meeting assembled this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2014.

ATTEST:

  
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JORDAN W. LEONARD  
SECRETARY

  
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CINDY LERNER  
PRESIDENT

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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DARCEE S. SIEGEL, ESQ.  
CHAIR, MDCLC CITY ATTORNEY  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE