

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2008- 130**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CORAL GABLES CITY COMMISSION, OPPOSING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PROPOSED ACTION IN APPROVING TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATES AND PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009, AND DIRECTING CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN OPPOSING SAID MEASURES AND ACTION OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMISSION.

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade County Commission is required by law to adopt a proposed budget and tentative millage; and

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade County Commission has adopted a proposed budget and tentative millage which shall adversely impact citizens of Coral Gables and unfairly shift a greater amount of the tax burden upon City residents and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 17, 2008, the Miami-Dade County Commission approved a tentative budget and millage rates; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Commission approved a tentative budget which shifted specific items under the General Fund to specific assessment and fees, thereby effectively increasing costs to City residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed budget effectively shifts a greater amount of the tax burden upon residents and businesses of municipalities instead of evenly distributing the tax burden to all of Miami-Dade County and requiring municipal residents and businesses to pay for County services provided to the residents and businesses in unincorporated Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed budget and tentative millage would also require municipalities to pay for the fire district millage for services provided to unincorporated areas and municipalities which do not have their own fire departments and rely on the services of the County Fire Department;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

**SECTION 1.** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and hereby made a specific part of this Ordinance upon adoption hereof.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Commission does hereby opposes the proposed County millage and the shifting of tax burdens and adopts this resolution in opposition to the proposed action of the County Commission.

**SECTION 3.** That the City Attorney and City Manager are hereby directed to transmit this resolution to the Miami-Dade County Commission and to take all necessary action consistent herewith including the initiation of appropriate legal proceedings.

**SECTION 4.** That this resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SIXTY DAY OF AUGUST, A.D., 2008.

(Moved: Withers / Seconded: Cabrera)

(Yeas: Withers, Cabrera, Slesnick)

(Absent: Anderson, Kerdyk)

(Majority: (3-0) Vote)

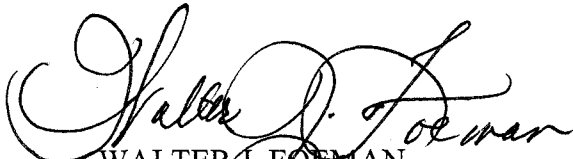
(Non-Agenda Item: I-1)

APPROVED:



DONALD D. SLESNICK II  
MAYOR

ATTEST:



WALTER J. FOEMAN  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



ELIZABETH M. HERNANDEZ  
CITY ATTORNEY