

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2008 -100**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES URGING SUPPORT FOR THE REINSTITUTION OF THE CHILDREN'S TRUST MONEY TO FUND IMPROVEMENTS TO CHILDREN'S HEALTH, DEVELOPMENT AND SAFETY, IN FURTHERANCE OF QUALITY OF LIFE ENHANCEMENT FOR ALL CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES; SAID ISSUE WHICH IS A SPECIAL REFERENDUM ELECTION BALLOT QUESTION IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PRIMARY ELECTION BEING HELD ON AUGUST, 26, 2008; FURTHER URGING ALL ELECTORS AND THEIR RESPECTIVE MUNICIPALITIES TO SUPPORT THE MISSION OF THE CHILDREN'S TRUST.

**WHEREAS**, David Lawrence, Jr., President of the Early Childhood Initiative Foundation, on behalf of the Children's Trust has appeared before the Coral Gables City Commission urging support for a ballot question in connection with reinstatement of the Children's Trust money; and

**WHEREAS**, The Children's Trust, whose mission is to improve the life of all children and their families in Miami-Dade County, was approved by the voters in September 2002; and

**WHEREAS**, a "sunset provision" requires that said initiative be returned for voters approval, which vote is set for August 26, 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, The Children's Trust has created efficient, practical and legendary programs which are specifically focused and dedicated to the well-being of our shared community's children; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables recognizes the critical public import in garnering support through its legislative initiative, to help children of this community; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 5, 2008 the Miami-Dade League of Cities adopted similar legislation (in resolution form) in support of same; and

**WHEREAS**, in the upcoming August 26, 2008 Primary Election the voters of Miami-Dade County will have a chance to exercise the power of the ballot at the polls, in supporting the Children's Trust, and in furtherance of helping children of our community;

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

**SECTION 1.** The foregoing whereas clause is being ratified and confirmed as being true and correct, and are hereby made a specific part of this resolution upon adoption hereof.

**SECTION 2.** That the City of Coral Gables Commission does hereby support this important community initiative, along with the effort made by David Lawrence, Jr., President of the Early Childhood Initiative Foundation, in furtherance of the Children's Trust, thereby urging support for the Special Referendum Election Ballot question, in conjunction with the August 26, 2008 Primary Election being held on the same date.

**SECTION 3.** That the City Clerk is hereby instructed to transmit a copy of said legislation (in resolution form) to the Mayor, Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners, County Manager and County Attorney.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THIS FIFTEEN DAY OF JULY, A.D., 2008.

(Moved: Cabrera /Seconded: Kerdyk

(Unanimous Voice Vote)

(Agenda Item: D-1)

APPROVED:

  
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MAYOR

ATTEST:  
  
WALTER J. FOEMAN  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
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ELIZABETH M. HERNANDEZ  
CITY ATTORNEY