

ITEM TITLE:

Resolution authorizing the City of Coral Gables staff, departments and stakeholders to partner with the Miami-Dade age-friendly initiative in order to encourage and promote public policies or plans that consider older adults and support healthy aging in the City of Coral Gables, and Miami-Dade county as a whole.

BRIEF HISTORY:

According to the Miami-Dade Age Friendly Initiative, people are living longer and populations are growing older. Miami-Dade has the largest population of older adults in the State of Florida with over half a million older adults age 60 and over; and that population is expected to continue to grow to over 800,000 by 2040, representing 25% of the total population of Miami-Dade County. Most communities were not built for this shift in demographics and cannot accommodate aging in place.

The majority of Miami-Dade County residents age 50+ believe their community is a good place to age and want to live there independently for as long as possible. The most urgent areas of focus identified by respondents in a survey of residents 50+ in Miami-Dade included housing, employment, transportation and community support and health services.

In an effort to identify deficiencies in services and to better serve our 50+ population the City of Coral Gables wishes to partner with the Miami-Dade Age Friendly Initiative.

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:

Approval.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Draft Resolution
- 2. Application
- 3. Letter of Commitment