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May 21, 2013

Honorable Robert C. "Bobby" Scott
Representative
U.S. House of Representatives
1201 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Scott:

A copy of Resolution No. R-380-13, adopted on May 7, 2013, is provided to you at the request of the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact this office.

Respectfully yours,

HARVEY RUVIN, Clerk
Circuit and County Courts

By: 
Christopher Agrippa, Division Chief
Clerk of the Board Division

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Attachment

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(22)

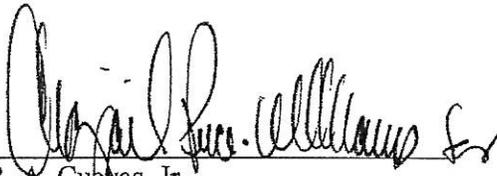
TO: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 7, 2013

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging the United
States Congress to enact
H.R. 1318, the Youth Promise
Act, or similar legislation
Resolution No. R-380-13

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson.



R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

RAC/jls

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(22)
5-7-13

RESOLUTION NO. R-380-13

RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS
TO ENACT H.R. 1318, THE YOUTH PROMISE ACT, OR
SIMILAR LEGISLATION

WHEREAS, youth gang crime has taken a toll on a number of urban communities, and senseless acts of gang-related violence have imposed economic, social, and human costs; and

WHEREAS, minority children, particularly Black and Hispanic children, are over-represented relative to the general population at every stage of the juvenile justice system; and

WHEREAS, the United States now has the highest average incarceration rate of any nation in the world by far; and

WHEREAS, corrections costs in the United States have risen from around \$7 billion a year in 1980 to over \$68 billion a year currently; and

WHEREAS, these criminal justice costs have become burdensome in many states and cities, requiring reductions in vital educational, social, welfare, mental health, and related services; and

WHEREAS, federal research has shown that gang-membership is short-lived among adolescents, thus presenting ongoing opportunities for intervention and prevention; and

WHEREAS, overwhelming research has shown that a continuum of comprehensive, evidenced-based prevention and intervention programs for youth at risk of, or involved in, delinquent behavior will greatly reduce crime and save much more than they cost when the avoided law enforcement and social welfare expenditures are considered; and

Section 3. Authorizes and directs the County's federal lobbyists to advocate for the passage of the legislation set forth in Section 1 above, and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2013 Federal Legislative Package to include this item and to include this item in the 2014 Federal Legislative Package.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson. It was offered by Commissioner **Lynda Bell**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Sally A. Heyman** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman	aye
	Lynda Bell, Vice Chair	aye
Bruno A. Barreiro	aye	Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. aye
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	absent	Audrey M. Edmonson aye
Sally A. Heyman	aye	Barbara J. Jordan aye
Jean Monestime	absent	Dennis C. Moss aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	absent	Xavier L. Suarez aye
Juan C. Zapata	absent	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of May, 2013. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: **Christopher Agrippa**
Deputy Clerk



Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

MSM

Michael J. Mastrucci

STATE OF FLORIDA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE)

I, HARVEY RUVIN, Clerk of the Circuit and County Courts, in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida, and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of said County, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution R-380-13, which was adopted by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners at its meeting held on May 7, 2013, as appears of record.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on this 21st day of May, A.D., 2013.

HARVEY RUVIN, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Miami-Dade County, Florida



By: Tara C. Deary
Deputy Clerk

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