




# MIAMI BEACH

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JOSE SMITH, CITY ATTORNEY

## COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

**TO: MAYOR MATTI HERRERA BOWER  
MEMBERS OF THE CITY COMMISSION  
CITY MANAGER JORGE M. GONZALEZ**

**FROM: CITY ATTORNEY JOSE SMITH** 

**DATE: DECEMBER 10, 2008**

**SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE RESPONSE GUIDE ("SARG") PARTNERSHIP, A MULTI-COALITION PARTNERSHIP CAMPAIGN FOR THE PREVENTION OF UNDERAGE DRINKING IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.**

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Pursuant to the request of Mayor Matti Herrera Bower, the attached Resolution is hereby submitted for consideration by the City Commission.



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Carlos Rovega  
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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR AND COMMISSION

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Jorge Gonzalez, City Manager  
FROM: Matti H. Bower, Mayor *MB*  
DATE: November 24, 2008

SUBJECT: Agenda Item for December 10, 2008 Miami Beach Commission Meeting

Please place on the December 10, 2008 Miami Beach City Commission meeting agenda a Resolution supporting the Substance Abuse Response Guide ("SARG") Partnership, a Multi-Coalition Partnership Campaign for the Prevention of Underage Drinking in the State of Florida.

Thank you.

2008 NOV 25 PM 5:00  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE RESPONSE GUIDE ("SARG") PARTNERSHIP, A MULTI-COALITION PARTNERSHIP CAMPAIGN FOR THE PREVENTION OF UNDERAGE DRINKING IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.**

**WHEREAS**, the Miami Coalition for a Safe and Drug Free Community Company, Inc. has coordinated a countywide and regional underage drinking prevention campaign to help protect and help the youth of South Florida by promoting programs to assist with the enforcement of alcoholic beverage sales to minors, and by supporting community events to foster underage drinking prevention initiatives directed to our community's youth and adults; and

**WHEREAS**, local community coalitions involved in this initiative represent Miami Beach, Homestead, Florida City, South Miami, Miami Gardens, and Opa Locka, as well as other community groups throughout Broward and Miami-Dade Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, the campaign includes a multi-agency enforcement initiative, in conjunction with the State Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco (ABT), to actively participate with South Florida communities in the planning of an underage drinking prevention campaign, conducting compliance enforcement efforts with regard to the sale of alcoholic beverages to minors, and providing training for alcohol vendors; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition, statewide efforts include a declaration by the Florida Youth Delegation in October, 2008 to work with local coalitions to help implement a statewide campaign to prevent underage drinking; and

**WHEREAS**, research shows that non-compliance rates for adherence to underage drinking laws are among the highest for retail convenience stores in South Florida; and recent studies show: the low age of first alcohol use (12.8 years) in South Florida, the significant adverse impacts of alcohol on the brain and the potential for permanent damage, and the negative impacts on academic performance and violence as a result of underage alcohol use; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach support the admirable efforts of the SARG partnership and deem it in the best interest of the public health, welfare, and safety to support and assist with this worthwhile multi-coalition underage drinking prevention campaign.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA**, that the SARG partnership for the prevention of underage drinking is hereby supported in the City of Miami Beach.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

ATTEST:

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Robert Parcher  
City Clerk

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Matti Herrera Bower  
Mayor

**APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION**

*[Signature]*  
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City Attorney  
12/14/08  
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Date