



# MIAMI BEACH

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

NO. LTC # **261-2010**

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and  
Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager

DATE: September 30, 2010

SUBJECT: **Miami-Dade County League of Cities Resolution No. 2010-6**

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The purpose of this LTC is to provide the Mayor and City Commission with the attached Resolution approved by the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities (MDCLC). This MDCLC Resolution is consistent with the direction provided by the Mayor and City Commission, and it urges Miami-Dade County to implement comprehensive amendments to its parking fines and urges the Florida Legislature to amend the Florida Statutes in order to increase penalties for various parking violations.

Consideration of this Resolution by the MDCLC was requested by the City of Miami Beach, and the item was placed on the MDCLC Board of Directors Agenda by MDCLC Secretary Deede Weithorn. The Administration will continue working with the MDCLC and other stakeholders on this initiative. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me if you need further information.

JMG/HF/kc

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-6**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC. URGING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO IMPLEMENT COMPREHENSIVE AMENDMENTS TO ITS PARKING FINES AND URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO AMEND THE FLORIDA STATUTES IN ORDER TO INCREASE STATE PENALTIES FOR VARIOUS PARKING VIOLATIONS.**

**WHEREAS**, the parking fine schedules utilized by the State of Florida and Miami-Dade County are not commensurate with the gravity of illegal parking offenses nor the costs of enforcement; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 30-388.32 of the Miami-Dade County Code sets forth the schedule for various parking offenses such as hazardous parking and willfully obstructing streets, as well as other parking violations that create unsafe and hazardous conditions or otherwise impede the orderly flow of traffic and the provision of adequate parking; and

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade County Code currently provides penalties ranging from \$18.00 to \$33.00 for parking violations which do not adequately reflect the of these offenses and are not in keeping with the increasing costs of enforcement; and

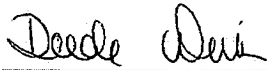
**WHEREAS**, the penalties for illegal parking offenses in the State of Florida, set forth in the Section 318.18 of the Florida Statutes, similarly do not reflect penalties that are adequate given the seriousness of these violations and the costs of enforcement; and


**WHEREAS**, the matter of inadequate parking fines is of concern to all citizens in Miami-Dade County, therefore, municipalities and agencies in Miami-Dade County are urged to support an increase in County and State fines for parking violations.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc., that the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. herby urge the Florida Legislature and the Board of County Commissioners for Miami-Dade County to increase their parking fines to reflect penalties that are fiscally appropriate and reflective of the gravity of illegal parking offenses, as well as municipalities and agencies in Miami-Dade County are also urged to support an increase in County and State fines for parking violations.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. at regular meeting assembled this 5<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

ATTEST:

  
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DEEDE WEITHORN  
SECRETARY

  
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MICHAEL BLYNN  
PRESIDENT