RESOLUTION NO.   2022-32199

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, URGING THE MIAMI-DADE
COUNTY CLERK OF THE COURTS, AND THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
MAYOR AND BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, TO APPROVE
THE CREATION OF A UNIFIED, AGGREGATE DATABASE AND
TRACKING SYSTEM FOR THE USE OF THE VARIOUS
MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, IN ORDER TO
PROVIDE SUCH MUNICIPALITIES WITH MORE COMPREHENSIVE,
EASILY SEARCHABLE AND READILY ACCESSIBLE, SORTABLE
AND DOWNLOADABLE STATISTICAL DATA PERTAINING TO THE
ARREST, PROSECUTION AND CASE DISPOSITION OF THOSE
DEFENDANTS ARRESTED FOR THE COMMISSION OF CRIMINAL
OFFENSES WITHIN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, all municipalities in Miami-Dade County are committed to reducing
crime (including misdemeanor and quality of life offenses) and repeat offenses, and
bringing social services to those that may otherwise decline, or find it difficult to obtain,
such social services; and

WHEREAS, each year thousands of defendants and their associated criminal cases
travel through the Miami-Dade County criminal justice system; and

WHEREAS, the statistical crime and prosecution data, in conjunction with the case
disposition data of such cases, can be utilized as an effective tool to acquire a detailed
understanding surrounding criminal conduct and the outcomes of such cases; and

WHEREAS, statistical data can also assist in identifying any challenges that may
have impacted the successful prosecution and/or obtaining the appropriate outcome for
those persons arrested for committing criminal offenses in the County; and

WHEREAS, statistical crime and prosecution data can further assist in identifying
any tools, policies, procedures and/or resources which may be utilized to aid in the future
prosecution(s) of criminal offenders; and

WHEREAS, presently, the Miami-Dade County Clerk of the Courts (the "Clerk of
Courts") has an online criminal case search database which includes standard searches
and advanced (paid) searches; and

WHEREAS, however, even with the advanced search features, the functionality of
the Clerk of Courts database does not allow a municipality or stakeholder agency to filter
and/or download bulk records, but rather, searches require that cases be manually sought
out, on an individual basis, which is inefficient and time consuming; and

WHEREAS, a more comprehensive case search and download application, in which
cases may be queried, sorted and downloaded, en masse, by defendant, arresting agency,
offense(s) charged, judicial assignment, etc., would be a valuable data-sharing tool for all

municipalities and stakeholder agencies in the County, providing much more complete, accessible and comprehensive statistical case data and information; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Information Technology Department is the entity that provides information technology services to enable, implement, support and maintain the technological solutions for the Clerk of Courts; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission adopt this Resolution in the desire to have more searchable, complete and readily-available statistical arrest and prosecution data, which will allow for the more effective evaluation of criminal cases and help guide the future allocation of resources to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the City and County's residents and visitors.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED THAT THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, hereby urge the Miami-Dade County Clerk of the Courts, and the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners, to approve the creation of a unified, aggregate database and tracking system for the use of the various municipalities within Miami-Dade County, in order to provide such municipalities with more comprehensive, easily searchable and readily accessible, sortable and downloadable statistical data pertaining to the arrest, prosecution and case disposition of those defendants arrested for the commission of criminal offenses within Miami-Dade County.

PASSED and ADOPTED this _22_ day of _June_, 2022.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Co-sponsored by Commissioner Steven Meiner and Commissioner Alex J. Fernandez)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

City Attorney   Date
6-15-22