

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, ADOPTING AND SUPPORTING THE 2017 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES OF THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF MIAMI; DIRECTING THE CITY'S STATE LOBBYISTS TO INCLUDE THIS ISSUE AS A 2017 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY; AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO CERTAIN STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS.

WHEREAS, the Junior Leagues of Miami (Junior League) State Public Affairs Committee has monitored legislation and advocated for issues of importance to its membership; and

WHEREAS, the Junior League consists of 22 "branches" in Florida and over 11,000 women from across the state; and

WHEREAS, the Junior League has identified several state legislative priorities, and the Mayor and City Commission also supports these state legislative concerns, which are as follows:

1. To support SB 176/HB 63 Relating to Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Feminine Hygiene Products (Sen. Passidomo – Naples/Rep. Edwards – Sunrise), which exempts the sale of feminine hygiene products from state sales and use tax.
2. To support SB 71 Relating to Tax Exemption for Personal Hygiene Products (Sen. Book – Broward/Rep. Cruz – Tampa), which exempts the sale of feminine hygiene products, diapers, and baby wipes from state sales and use tax.
3. To support SB 60/HB 217 Relating to Children Obtaining Driver Licenses (Sen. Bean – Jacksonville/Rep. Sullivan – Eustis), which supports expansion of the program to obtain motor vehicle insurance and driver licenses to children in out-of-home care who are in relative and non- relative placements. It also provides assistance to children who have reached permanency or turned 18 under certain circumstances. The program is authorized to pay for a child in out-of-home care to complete a driver education program and obtain a driver license or the related costs of licensure under certain circumstances. The bill makes the 3-year pilot program permanent.
4. To support HB 337 Relating to Internet Access (Rep. Spano – Riverview), which prohibits covered businesses from manufacturing, distributing, or selling certain devices unless device contains active & operating filter that blocks Internet access to specified types of sexually oriented material, prostitution, assignation, lewdness, & human trafficking.

5. To support SB 286 Relating to Human Trafficking Education in Schools (Sen. Steube – Sarasota), which revises the required health education in public schools to include information regarding the dangers and signs of human trafficking.
6. To support SB 196/HB 205 Relating to Juvenile Civil Citation and Similar Diversion Programs (Sen. Flores – Miami/Rep. Ahern – Seminole), which requires a law enforcement officer to issue a civil citation or require the juvenile's participation in a similar diversion program when the juvenile admits to committing a first-time misdemeanor offense.
7. To support SB 200/HB 363 Relating to Temporary Respite Care of a Child (Sen. Passidomo – Naples/Rep. White – Pensacola), which authorizes certain organizations to establish programs for the purpose of assisting parents and legal guardians in providing temporary respite care for a child.
8. To support SB 492/HB 397 Relating to Public Records/Victim of Alleged Sexual Harassment/Identifying Information (Sen. Young – Tampa/Rep. Raschein – Key Largo), to provide an exemption from public records requirements for information related to an allegation of sexual harassment that could lead to the identification of the alleged victim.
9. To support SB 172/HB 399 Relating to Guardianship (Sen. Passidomo – Naples/Rep. Diamond – St. Petersburg), which requires each examining committee member in a proceeding to determine incapacity to file his or her report with the clerk of the court within a specified timeframe after appointment; eliminating the requirement that a court must first find that a ward's spouse has consented to dissolution of marriage before the court may authorize a guardian to exercise specified rights. (Associated legislation - SB 210 Relating to Public Records/Public Guardians by Sen. Passidomo)
10. To support HB 39/SB 154 Relating to Autism Awareness Training for Law Enforcement Officers (Rep. Jenne – Hollywood/Sen. Thurston, Jr. – Fort Lauderdale), which requires FDLE to establish continued employment training component relating to autism spectrum disorder.
11. To support SB 78/HB 67 Relating to Public School Recess (Sen. Flores – Miami/Rep. Plasencia – Titusville), which requires each district school board to provide students in certain grades with a minimum number of minutes of free-play recess per week and with a minimum number of consecutive minutes of free-play recess per day.
12. To support SB 490 Relating to Tax on Sales, Use, and Other Transactions (Sen. Perry – Gainesville), which creates the "Back to School" Sales Tax Holiday proposed for August 4-13, 2017.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission recommend that the above legislative priorities become the legislative priorities of the City and ; direct the City's State lobbyists to include this issue as a 2017 State legislative priority; and direct the City Clerk to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Governor of Florida, the Senate President, the House Speaker, Senator Keith Perry, and the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, the Mayor and City commission adopt and support the 2017 state legislative priorities of the Junior League of Miami; direct the City's State lobbyists to include this issue as a 2017 State legislative priority; and direct the City Clerk to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Governor of Florida, the Senate President, the House Speaker, Senator Keith Perry, and the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation.

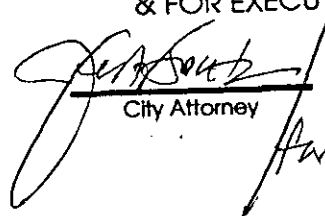
PASSED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2017.

ATTEST:

Philip Levine, Mayor

Rafael Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney

2/17/17
Date