## **RESOLUTION NO. 2010-5**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC. SUPPORTING AND ENDORSING THE SOUTH FLORIDA PARKS COALITION CHARTER AND THE PRINCIPLES ON WHICH IT STANDS

**WHEREAS**, parks, open spaces and preserves are vital to the quality of life of all residents of Miami Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. is committed to the fundamental and abiding values of equity, recreation opportunity and environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS, the South Florida Parks Coalition is comprised of park and recreational professionals from all city, county and state and federal jurisdictions, and

WHEREAS, the South Florida Parks Coalition is dedicated to building a model park system that will promote a greener, healthier, and more livable South Florida community; and

WHEREAS, The South Florida Park Coalition is created to foster a seamless, connected, and sustainable parks system for the South Florida community, and

**WHEREAS**, The South Florida Parks Coalition will meet, collaborate, coordinate and share knowledge and professional expertise regarding park, recreation and conservation open spaces; and

WHEREAS, we know that there is strength in unity.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc., endorses the Charter of the South Florida Parks Coalition, attached and included by reference, and fully supports the principles on which it stands:

ATTEST:

DEEDE WEITHORN

SECRETARY

MICHAEL BLYNN

**PRESIDENT** 

APPROVED AS TO FORK

HÓWARD B. LENARD GENERAL COUNSEL

## **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 5th day of August, 2010.

ATTEST:

DEEDE WEITHORN

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT