## **RESOLUTION NO. 2011-4**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC. EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR AND ENCOURAGING THE FUTURE PRESENTATION OF THE MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AEROSPACE SHOW AT THE HOMESTEAD AIR RESERVE BASE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the aviation and aerospace industries are key economic drivers within Miami-Dade County; and

**WHEREAS**, in recent years, the Homestead Air Reserve Base (HARB) has served as the venue for the "Wings Over Homestead" spectator air show; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County and the Beacon Council have proposed a joint use of the HARB for limited commercial activity for the purpose of hosting a Miami International Aerospace Show (the "Air Show"); and

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2011, Secretary Donley wrote to Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen indicating that the Air Force was not in a position to support the Air Show at HARB (the "Air Force Letter"); and

WHEREAS, there is no major commercial air show that displays commercial, civil and military aircraft and aerospace technology existing in the United States; and

WHEREAS, an international commercial air show at the HARB would produce a highly positive economic impact within the City of Homestead through direct and indirect job creation and the driving of revenue into local businesses preparing and servicing the event; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities supports the proposed production of the Air Show and strongly encourages the Air Force

to reconsider its decision not to support the Air Show at HARB.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY** Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc.

**Section 1. Recitals Adopted**. That the foregoing recitals are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 2. Support.** That the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc., hereby expresses its strong support for the hosting of the Air Show at the HARB and respectfully encourages the Air Force to reconsider its decision not to support the Air Show, and upon such reconsideration, to decide to support the Air Show at HARB.

**Section 3. Effective Date.** That this Resolution shall be in full force and take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, Inc. at regular meeting assembled this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of Normber, 2011.

ATTEST:

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