

RESOLUTION NO. R-2013-62

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE COMPACT AND AGREEING TO CONSIDER IMPLEMENTING THE REGIONAL CLIMATE ACTION PLAN AND THE GREENPRINT SUSTAINABILITY PLAN, AND URGING ALL MAYORS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO SUPPORT THE MAYORS' CLIMATE ACTION PLEDGE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Southeast Florida is at risk of experiencing negative impacts of a changing climate, primarily due to its location and the threat of rising sea levels; and

WHEREAS, noticing the need for immediate action to address the impacts of a changing climate, providing economic and environmental resilience in Southeast Florida, Miami-Dade County has joined the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact (Compact); and

WHEREAS, in agreement with the compact commitment and involving nearly 100 subject matter experts representing public and private sectors, universities, and non-profit organizations, the Regional Climate Action Plan (RCAP) was created; and

WHEREAS, the RCAP offers recommendations that provide the common integrated framework for a stronger Southeast Florida, including:

- Providing familiar framework for Sustainable Communities and Transportation Planning to be aligned across Southeast Florida;
- Recognizing the need to protect and address vulnerable Water Supply, Management, Infrastructure, and preserve Natural Systems and Agricultural resources
- Providing steps to move towards resilience and reducing emissions through exploring alternatives and decreasing the use of Energy and Fuel
- Building upon strengthening emergency responders and incorporating climate change threats in Risk Reduction, and Emergency Management Planning
- Providing useful Public Outreach initiatives to educate the public regarding the consequences of climate change, and provide guidance for expanding and influencing Public

Policies related to climate change; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County GreenPrint Sustainability Plan was refined as a roadmap to achieve ambitious and aggressive sustainability goals to create a resilient community of tomorrow, and serve as the structure to assimilate environmental, social, and economic benefits in policy decisions, programs, initiatives, and services; and

WHEREAS, the RCAP and GreenPrint present an opportunity to rectify local efforts with the regional outline and visions ahead; and

WHEREAS, the plans do not provide a mandate, however, serve as living documents with options that the local government may align to their own plans, adopt, and utilize based on their interests and vision for the future; and

WHEREAS, the avidity to develop and advocate for beneficial results, policies, and strategies projected to influence regional, state, and national efforts to progress “Good Neighbor” relationships; and

WHEREAS, in 2005 the U.S. Conference of Mayors adopted the U.S. Mayors’ Climate Protection Agreement (Mayors’ Agreement), which became a model for adequate collaboration, and the framework to begin taking actions in reducing global warming, and addressing the impacts of a changing climate (climate disruption); and

WHEREAS, promoting the U.S. Mayors’ Agreement as a model of influence for regional climate policies and an effective public outreach, the Southeast Florida region is invited to sign the 2013 South Florida Mayor’s Climate Action Pledge, and to collaborate on the implementation of the RCAP starting today and for tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami believe that it’s in the best interest of the residents of the City to adopt this resolution.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA THAT:

Section 1. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby support the Mayors’ Climate Action Pledge and affirms support for the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact.

Section 2. The Mayor and City Council of the City North Miami, Florida, agree to consider integrating the Regional Climate Action Plan and the GreenPrint Sustainability Plan framework into existing and future sustainability action plans, comprehensive plans and/or climate action plans where and when appropriate and financially feasible.

Section 3. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, urge all Mayors within Miami-Dade County to join the Mayors' Climate Action Pledge.

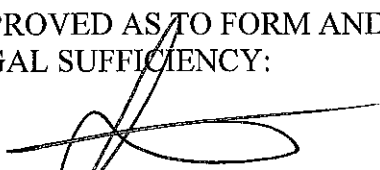
Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a 4-1 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 25 day of June, 2013.


LUCIE M. TONDREAU
MAYOR

ATTEST:


MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:


REGINE M. MONESTIME
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: VICE MAYOR MARIE ERLANDE STERIL

Moved by: Vice Mayor Steril

Seconded by: Mayor Tondreau

Vote:

Mayor Lucie M. Tondreau	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(Yes)	_____	(No)
Vice Mayor Marie Erlande Steril	<input type="checkbox"/>	(Yes)	_____	(No)
Councilperson Scott Galvin	_____	(Yes)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(No)
Councilperson Carol F. Keys, Esq.	<input type="checkbox"/>	(Yes)	_____	(No)
Councilperson Philippe Bien-Aime	<input type="checkbox"/>	(Yes)	_____	(No)