

RESOLUTION No. 2008-228-916

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE RESOURCE GUIDE ("SARG") PARTNERSHIP, A MULTI-COALITION PARTNERSHIP CAMPAIGN FOR THE PREVENTION OF UNDERAGE DRINKING IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Miami Coalition for a Safe and Drug Free Community Company, Inc., has coordinated a countywide and regional underage drinking prevention campaign to help protect and help the youth of South Florida by promoting programs to assist with the enforcement of alcoholic beverage sales to minors, and by supporting community events to foster underage drinking prevention initiatives directed to our community's youth and adults, and

WHEREAS, local community coalitions involved in this initiative represent Homestead, Florida City, South Miami, Miami Beach and Opa Locka, as well as other community groups throughout Broward and Miami-Dade Counties, and

WHEREAS, the campaign includes a multi-agency enforcement initiative, in conjunction with the State Division of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco (ABT), to actively participate with South Florida communities in the planning of an underage drinking prevention campaign, conducting compliance enforcement efforts with regard to the sale of alcoholic beverages to minors and providing training for alcohol vendors, and

WHEREAS, research shows that retail convenience stores in South Florida are among the lowest with regard to compliance rates for adherence to underage drinking laws and recent studies show the low age of first alcohol use (12.8 years) in South

Florida, the significant adverse impacts of alcohol on the brain and the potential for permanent damage and the negative impacts on academic performance and violence as a result of underage alcohol use, and

WHEREAS, the Governor has sponsored Florida Youth Delegation underage drinking prevention campaign to help manage the statewide effort to prevent underage drinking in the State, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Miami Gardens support the admirable efforts of SARG Partnership and deem it in the best interest of the public health, welfare and safety to support and assist with this worthwhile multi-coalition effort, and

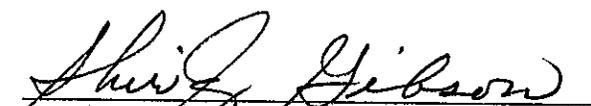
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS: The foregoing Whereas paragraphs are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2. SUPPORT: The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby supports the Substance Abuse Resource Guide ("SARG") Partnership, a multi-coalition partnership campaign for the prevention of underage drinking in the State of Florida.

Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its final passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 12, 2008.


SHIRLEY GIBSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


RONETTA TAYLOR, MMC, CITY CLERK

PREPARED BY: SONJA KNIGHTON DICKENS, ESQ.
City Attorney

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR SHIRLEY GIBSON

MOVED BY: Vice Mayor Watson
SECOND BY: Councilman Gilbert

VOTE: 5-0

Mayor Shirley Gibson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes)	<input type="checkbox"/> (No)
Vice Mayor Barbara Watson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes)	<input type="checkbox"/> (No)
Councilman Melvin L. Bratton	<input type="checkbox"/> (Yes)	<input type="checkbox"/> (No) (out of town)
Councilman Aaron Campbell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes)	<input type="checkbox"/> (No)
Councilman Oliver Gilbert, III	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes)	<input type="checkbox"/> (No)
Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett	<input type="checkbox"/> (Yes)	<input type="checkbox"/> (No) (out of town)
Councilman André Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes)	<input type="checkbox"/> (No)

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