

RESOLUTION No. 2010-14-1196

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND THE SUM OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000.00) TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY HOUSING IN MIAMI GARDENS FOR HAITIAN NATIONALS WITH DUAL UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP, OR AMERICAN CITIZENS WHO NORMALLY RESIDE IN HAITI TO PROVIDE SUPPORT AS A RESULT OF DAMAGE, DESTRUCTION, AND DEATH, CAUSED BY AN EARTHQUAKE ON JANUARY 12, 2010; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2010, the island of Haiti was struck by a 7.0 magnitude earthquake, and

WHEREAS, according to The American Red Cross, approximately three million people, or one-third of Haiti's population, has been affected by the earthquake, and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that well over 100,000 people have died, and the numbers could go as high as 500,000 people, and

WHEREAS, due to the fact, that the Island of Haiti is only 710 miles from the Miami area, the devastation that Haiti has immediately experienced as a result of the earthquake will directly impact the economy of the Miami-Dade area, including the City of Miami Gardens, and

WHEREAS, the situation in Haiti is of the utmost public concern, and the stability of the Country, as well as the health and welfare of its residents, is of concern not only to the United States as a whole, but to the South Florida area, in particular, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Miami Gardens would like to direct that the City Manager expend FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000.00) to

provide temporary housing in Miami Gardens for individuals who flee Haiti in the aftermath of the earthquake, and

WHEREAS, referrals for individuals in need of temporary housing assistance will be accepted from the following organizations: World Vision, Save the Children, American Red Cross, CARE and the Haitian Consul General, and

WHEREAS, the individuals must possess dual citizenship with Haiti and the United States, or be American citizens, who normally reside in Haiti,

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. AUTHORIZATION: The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby directs the City Manager to expend the sum of FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000.00) to provide temporary housing in Miami Gardens to Haitian nationals who have dual United States citizenship, or Americans who normally reside in Haiti to provide support as a result of damage, destruction, and death, caused by an earthquake on January 12, 2010. Referrals for such assistance shall come from the following organizations: World Vision, Save the Children, American Red Cross, CARE and the Haitian Consul General. Moreover, these organizations shall be required to provide detailed information on the use and expenditure of the City funds

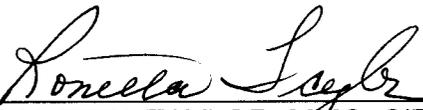
Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its final passage.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS
AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2010.


SHIRLEY GIBSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


RONETTA TAYLOR, MMC, CITY CLERK

PREPARED BY: SONJA KNIGHTON DICKENS, ESQ., CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN ANDRÉ WILLIAMS

MOVED BY: Councilman Williams
SECOND BY: Councilwoman Pritchett

VOTE: 6-0

Mayor Shirley Gibson	<u>X</u> (Yes)	___ (No)
Vice Mayor Oliver Gilbert, III	<u>X</u> (Yes)	___ (No)
Councilman Melvin L. Bratton	<u>X</u> (Yes)	___ (No)
Councilman Aaron Campbell	___ (Yes)	___ (No) (not present)
Councilwoman Barbara Watson	<u>X</u> (Yes)	___ (No)
Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett	<u>X</u> (Yes)	___ (No)
Councilman André Williams	<u>X</u> (Yes)	___ (No)