

RESOLUTION NO. 08-655

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA REQUESTING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD TO CONSIDER THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWN IN ITS PLAN FOR CONSOLIDATION OF THE EXISTING SIX (6) DISTRICT REGION CENTERS INTO FOUR (4) DISTRICT REGION CENTERS; AUTHORIZING TOWN OFFICIALS TO TRANSMIT THE RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Miami Lakes (the “Town”) currently geographically falls within the boundaries of Regional Center One of the School Board; and

WHEREAS, the Town since its incorporation in 2000 has worked with the Region as one community, has consolidated its efforts by working with one district office and under the direction of one Regional Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, at the April 16, 2008 meeting of the Miami-Dade County School Board, the Superintendent of Schools proposed a reorganization and downsizing of selected district offices and regional center offices from six (6) District Region Centers to four (4) District Region Centers; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes that the School Board is facing severe budget cuts in the upcoming year and applauds the School Board and the Superintendent for taking proactive steps to downsize overhead while ensuring that funds for direct education to students are preserved; and

WHEREAS, the proposed downsizing and consolidation of the Districts splits the Town’s unified community in half by breaking up the geographic boundaries of the Town into two Regions: North and North-Central as well as having the inadvertent affect of having the Town’s residents working with two different Regions; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council supports the actions of the School Board and the Superintendent; however, the Town Council requests that the School Board reconsider the boundaries of the newly created Districts to place the Town within the boundaries of only one District in order to maintain the Town as one consolidated community in its dealings with the School Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. **Recitals.** The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. **Boundary Request.** The Town Council hereby requests the School Board to consolidate the Town into the boundaries of one unified Regional District.

Section 3. **Authorization of Town Officials.** The Town's officials and staff are authorized to send copies of this Resolution to the members of the School Board and the Superintendent of Schools.

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

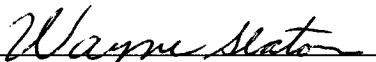
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of May, 2008.

Motion to adopt by Councilmember Richard Pulido, second by Councilmember Robert Meador.


FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION

Mayor Wayne Slaton	Yes
Vice Mayor Nancy Simon	Yes
Councilmember Roberto Alonso	Absent
Councilmember Mary Collins	Yes

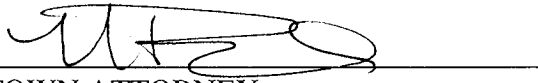
Councilmember Robert Meador	Yes
Councilmember Michael Pizzi	Yes
Councilmember Richard Pulido	Yes


Wayne Slaton
MAYOR

ATTEST:


TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:


TOWN ATTORNEY
Weiss, Serota, Helfman, Pastoriza,
Cole & Boniske, P.L.