

RESOLUTION No. 2010-26-1208

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE ANY AND ALL STEPS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO HOST AN EVENT AT CITY HALL IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY FOR FREE IMMIGRATION ASSISTANCE FOR TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE STATUS FOR HAITIANS; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO WORK WITH ASSOCIATIONS AND ENTITIES WILLING TO OFFER ASSISTANCE TO HAITIANS; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE CITY STAFF AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE 2010 CENSUS; 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, as a result of the earthquake, hundreds of thousands of people have died, and

WHEREAS, as a result of the devastation in Haiti, the United States Government, has offered temporary protective status for Haitians living and working in America for the next eighteen (18) months, and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Gardens would like to assist those Haitians residing in and around the City with gaining temporary protective status, and would like to host an event in the City, during the month of February for this purpose, and

WHEREAS, in light of the fact that the 2010 Census is ongoing, it would be prudent to also have information relating to the 2010 Census available for persons willing to participate,

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 take any and all steps necessary in order to host an event at City Hall in the month of February for free immigration assistance for temporary protective status for Haitians. The City Council further directs the City Manager to work with associations and entities willing to offer assistance to Haitians. The City Manager is directed to make City Staff available to provide information on the 2010 Census.

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 JANUARY 27, 2010.


SHIRLEY GIBSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


RONETTA TAYLOR, MMC, CITY CLERK

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

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR SHIRLEY GIBSON

MOVED BY: Vice Mayor Gilbert
SECOND BY: Councilwoman Watson

VOTE: 5-0

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



City of Miami Gardens Agenda Cover Memo

Council Meeting Date:	<i>January 27, 2010</i>		Item Type: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Resolution		Ordinance		Other	
				X					
Fiscal Impact: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Yes	No	Ordinance Reading: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	1st Reading		2nd Reading			
		X		Public Hearing: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Funding Source:	N/A		Advertising Requirement: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>		Yes		No		
				X				X	
Contract/P.O. Required: <small>(Enter X in box)</small>	Yes	No	RFP/RFQ/Bid #:						
		X							
Sponsor Name	Mayor Shirley Gibson		Department:	Mayor and City Council					

Short Title:

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Staff Summary:

On January 12, 2010, a 7.0 magnitude earthquake struck the Island of Haiti. Because of the earthquake, hundreds of thousands of people have died. Due to the devastation in Haiti, the United States Government has offered temporary protective status for Haitians living and working in America for the next eighteen (18) months.

The City of Miami Gardens would like to assist those Haitians residing in and around the City by offering free immigration assistance related to temporary protective status. To this extent, the City would like to host an event in the month of February whereby Haitians would be able to take advantage of the resources available with regard to gaining temporary protective status. In

light of the fact that the 2010 Census is ongoing, the City would also like to present information relating to the Census for persons willing to participate.

Recommendation:

Mayor Shirley Gibson recommends that the City Council approve this Resolution.

Attachment:

None